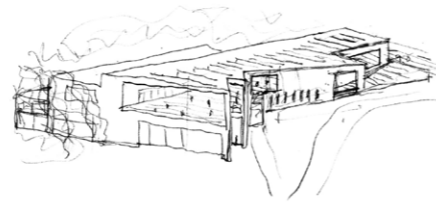


## Learning Center of the Alhambra Gateway



Granada, Spain



Publication's title: Learning Center of the Alhambra Gateway, Granada  
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 Surface: 83.000 m<sup>2</sup>  
 Year: 2010-2011  
 Status: Competition. Finalist



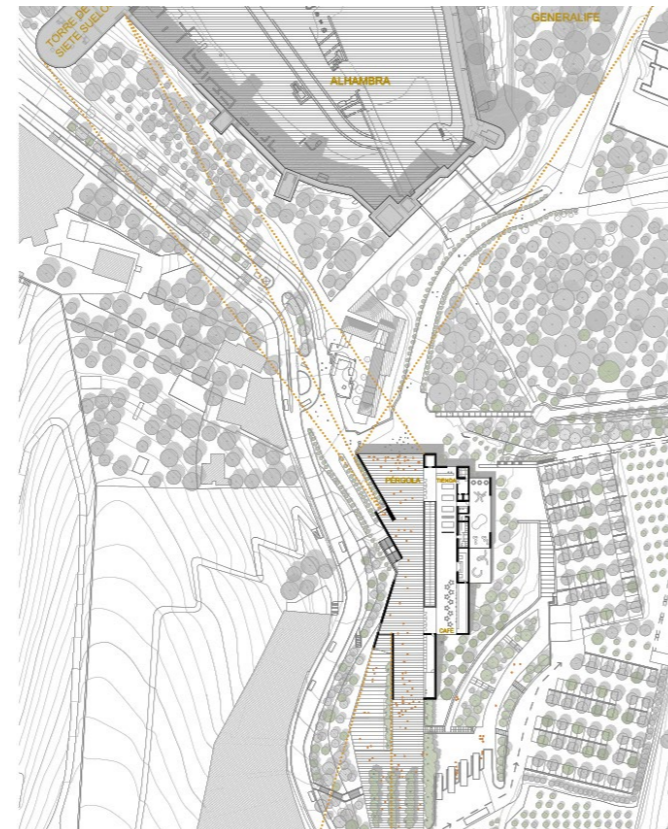
### REPORT

The new building is understood to be the modification of a pre-existing route around the Alhambra, hence the willingness to integrate it into the landscape using mechanisms of fusion with the surrounding nature, entering inwards, and of imitation, wherein the concrete adopts the colour of the land so very usual in previous interventions and in the monument itself. All of this is done with the intention of 'blurring' the boundaries between the building and the landscape.

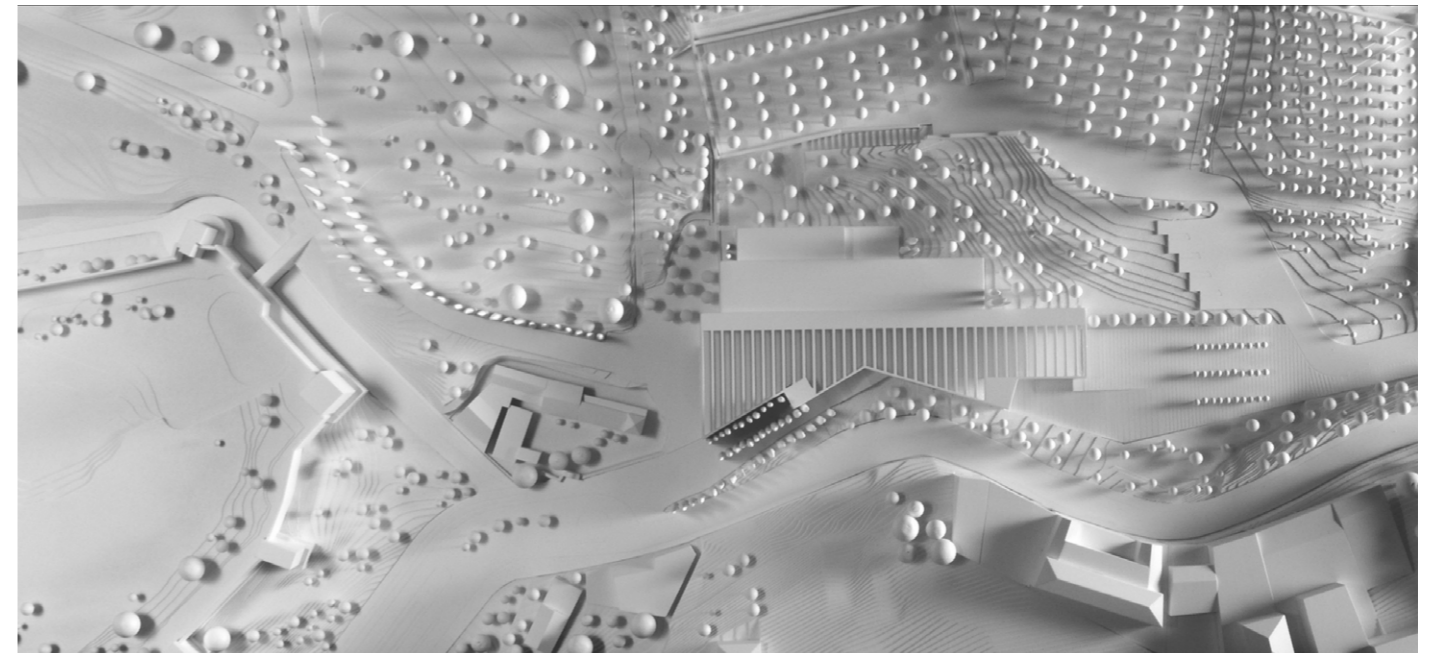
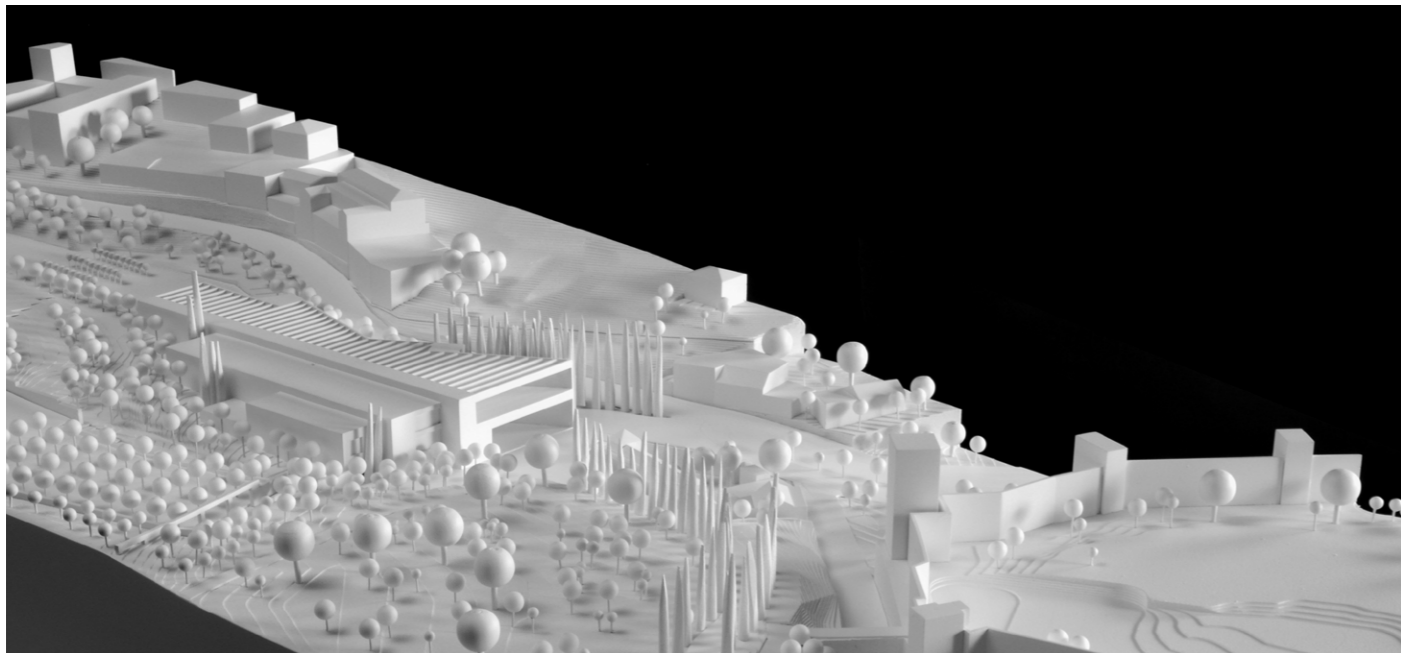
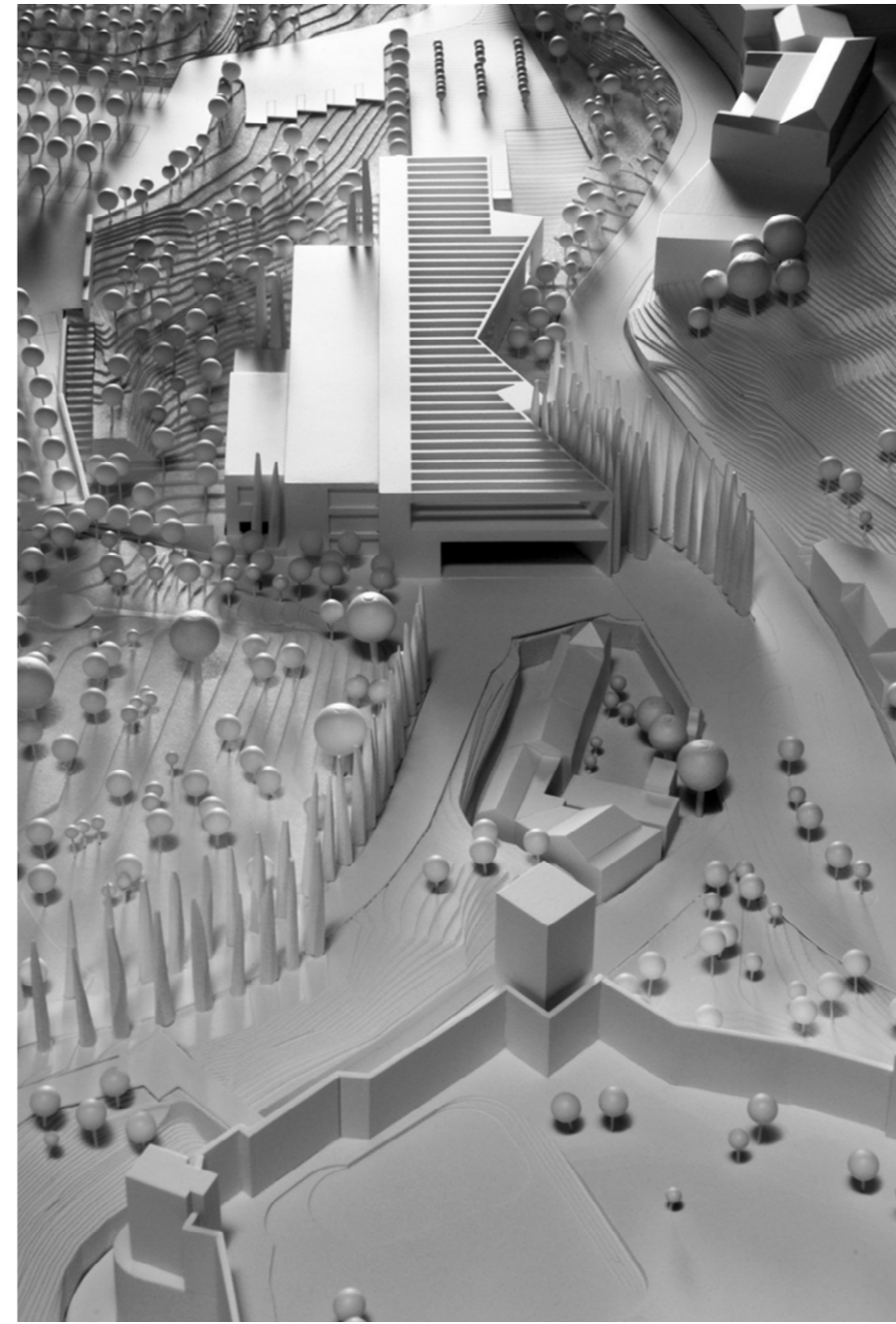
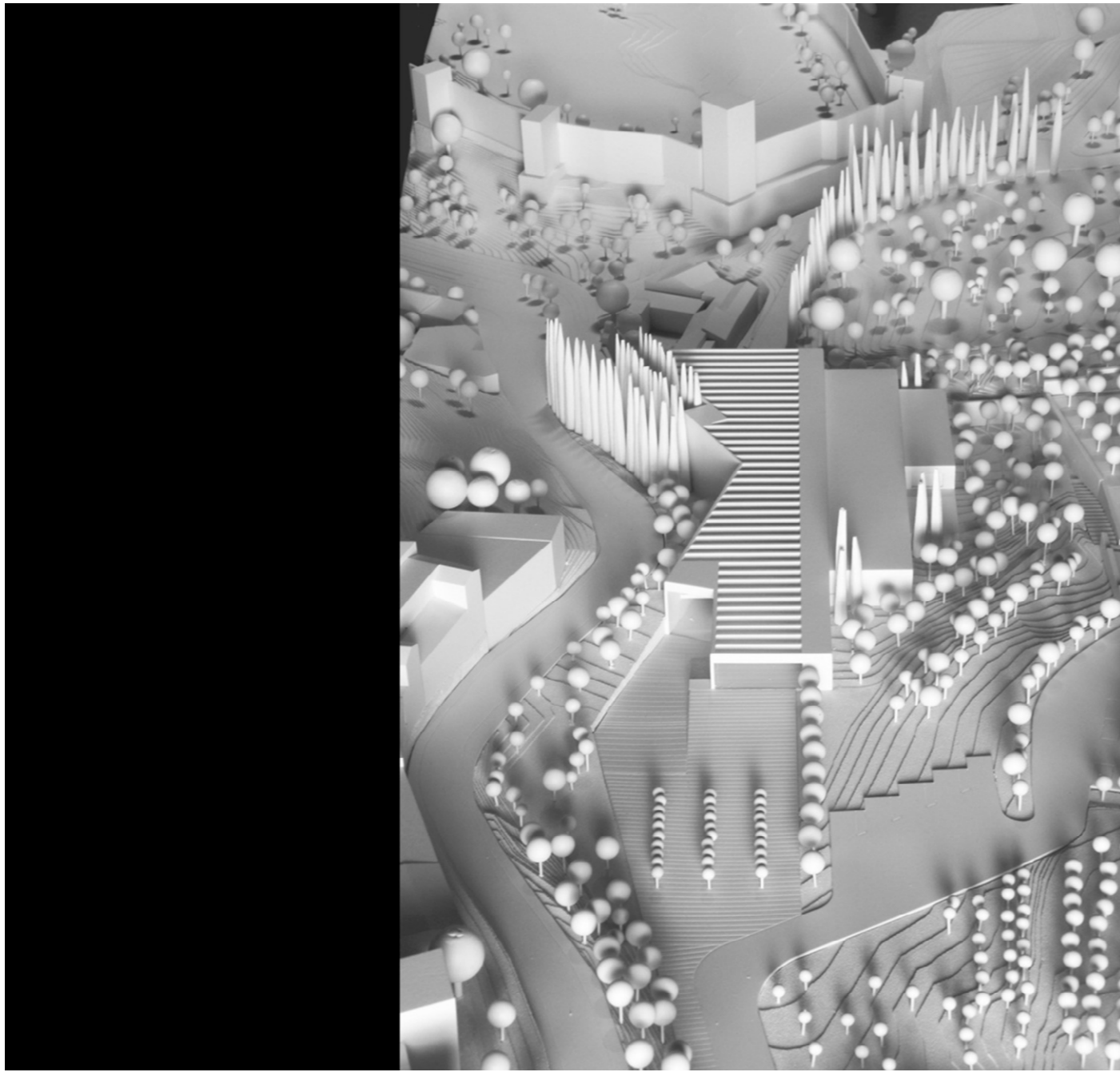
The projected building inserts itself along the gently sloping path that descends from the parking area. Once the path levels off where the next access area is located near the end of the route, visitors are able to get a first look at the Alhambra ensemble and the Generalife, and thus a first glance at what they wish to visit.

This transition space, covered by a large pergola, strives to provide the visit with a sense of beginning.

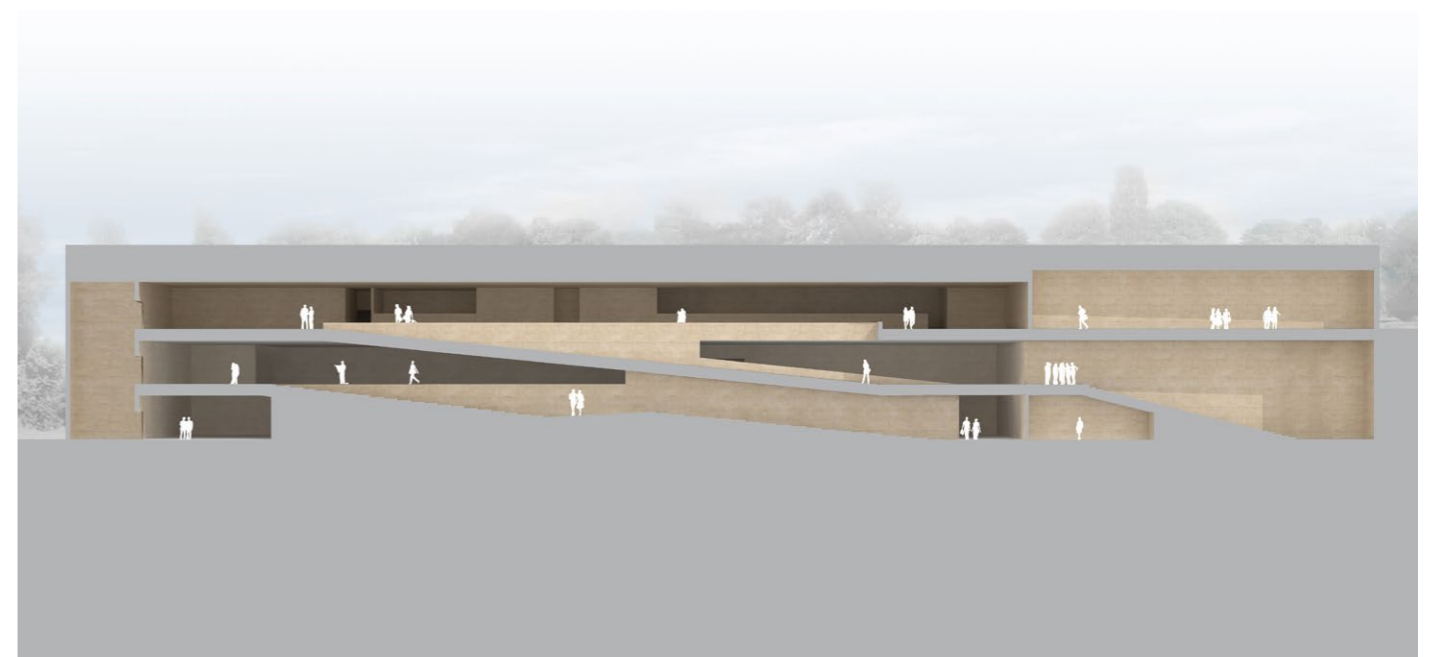
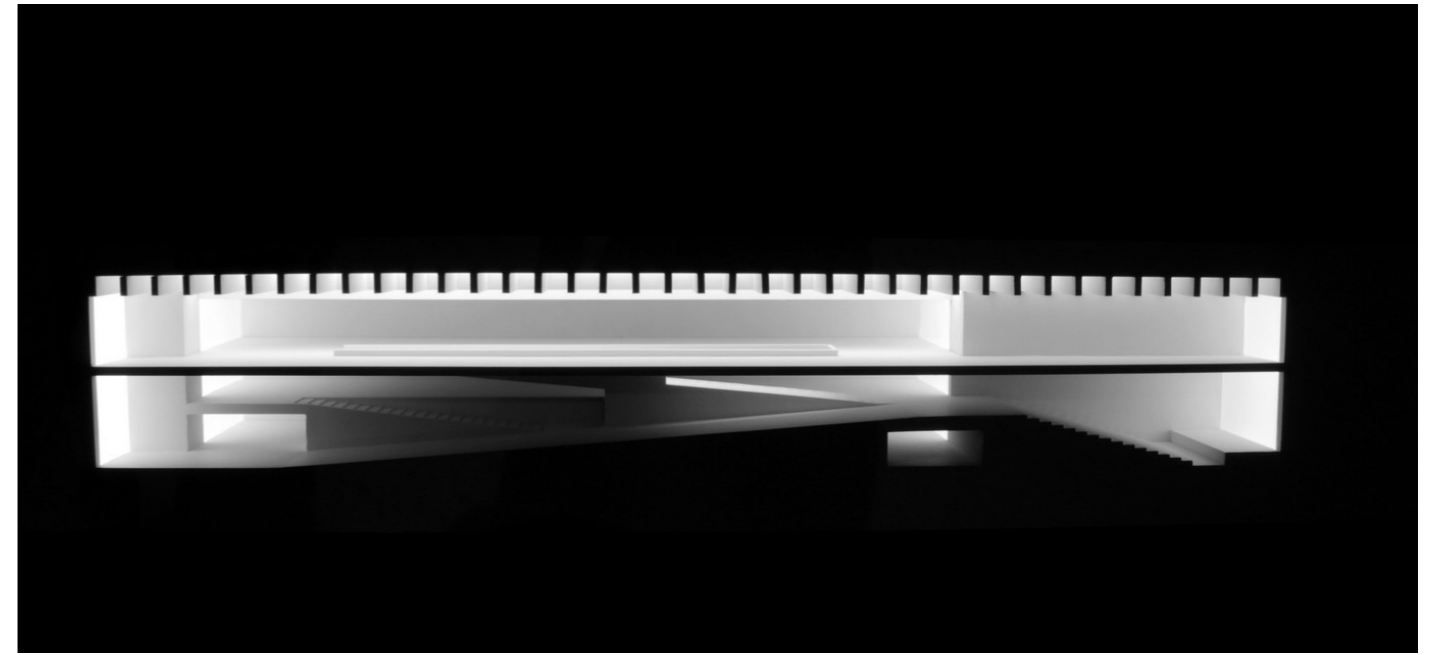
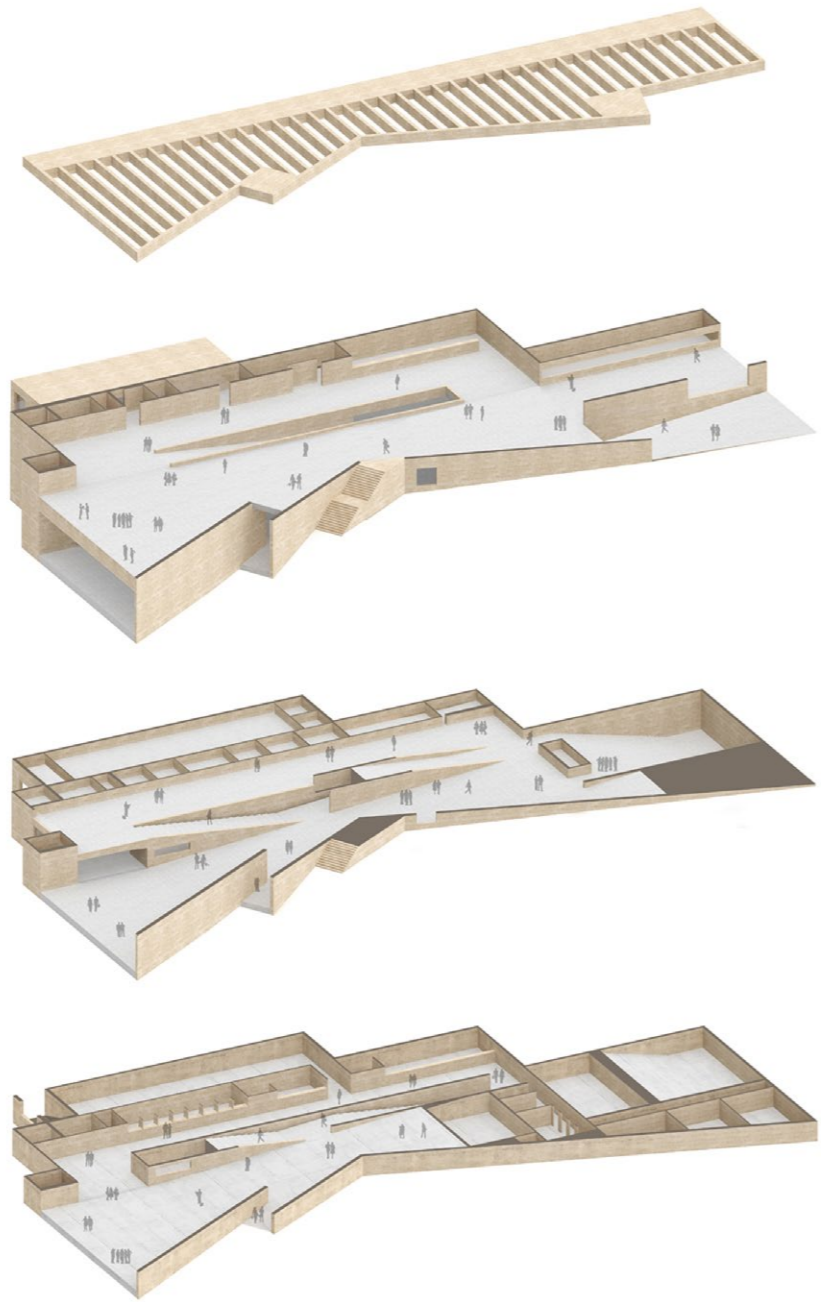
The idea of sequence and transit continues to shape the project in its interior spaces. The luminous upper level descends ceremonially until reaching the lowest hall, where ground level is recovered. This hall, darker, finally opens up to the Alhambra. Its slope and relative gloom attempt to underline and increase visitor expectation through the immediacy of the visit.



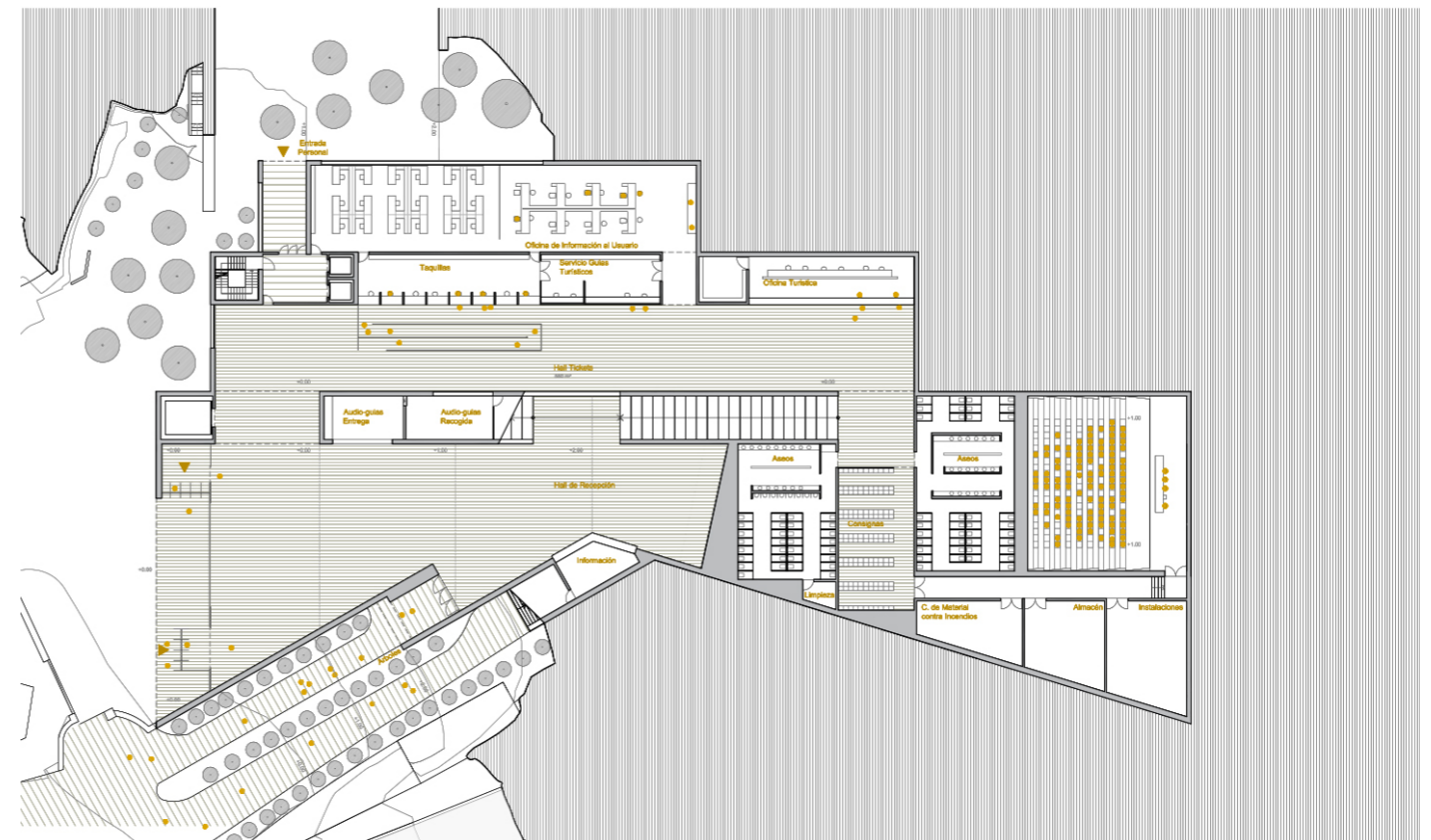
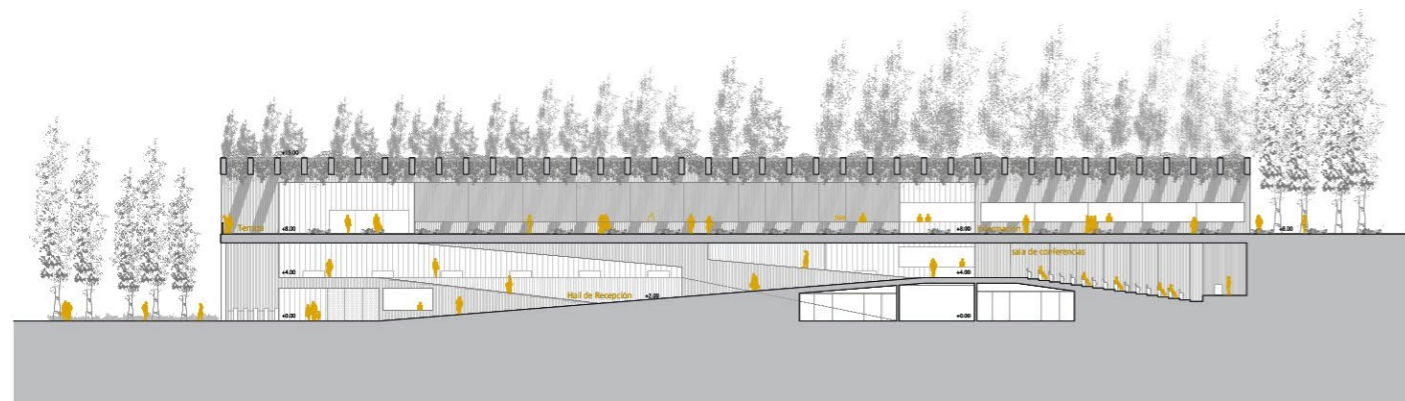
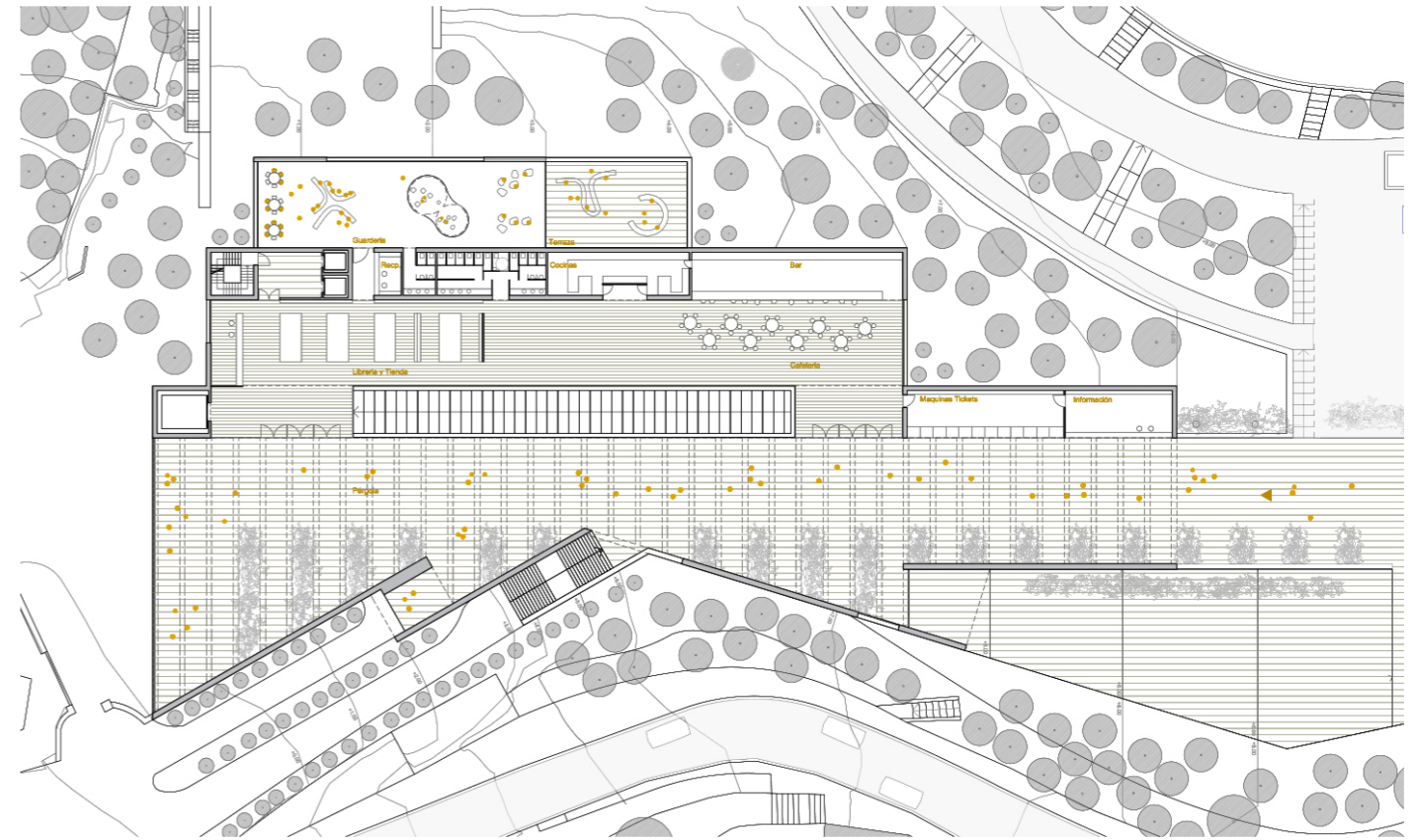
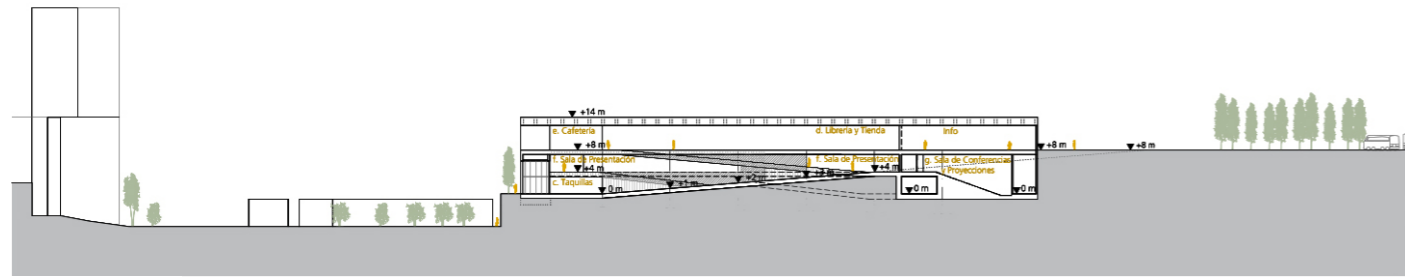












Sections

Floor plans

**Learning Center of the Alhambra Gateway. Granada, Spain**

**MAIN DATA**

Client: Regional Cultural Ministry of Andalusian Government  
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Type: Museums and galleries, Education and culture, Landscape  
Status: Competition. Finalist

**DATAS**

Competition: 2010  
Design of project: 2010  
Construction: -  
Implementation: -

**SURFACES**

Site: 83.000 m<sup>2</sup>  
Main building: 97.210 m<sup>2</sup>  
Other buildings: -  
TOTAL: 97.210 m<sup>2</sup>

**PROJECT TEAM**

Main Architect: Cruz y Ortiz Arquitectos  
Collaborators: José Ortiz, L. Hoye, M. Romero, J. Mejías, R. Peinado, M. Pérez, A. Álvarez  
Local Architect: -  
Interior design: -  
Lighting design: -  
Landscape architect: -  
Restoration architect: -  
Digital imaging: Cruz y Ortiz Arquitectos  
Model: Queipo Maquetas  
Photography: -  
Structural engineering: -  
Climate engineer: -  
Building physics advisor: -  
Fire safety specialist: -  
Health and Safety: -  
Urban planning: -  
Survey: -  
Site control: -  
Contractors: -