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Category 4: Special Projects



“This complex project was modelled directly in SCIA Engineer as a hybrid structure with a span of over 400 meters, including façades and roof. The jury was impressed by the advanced analyses with second order, tension-only elements, physical and geometrical non-linearities, as well as advanced dynamic and seismic calculations, resulting in a fabulous building.”

Quote of the Jury



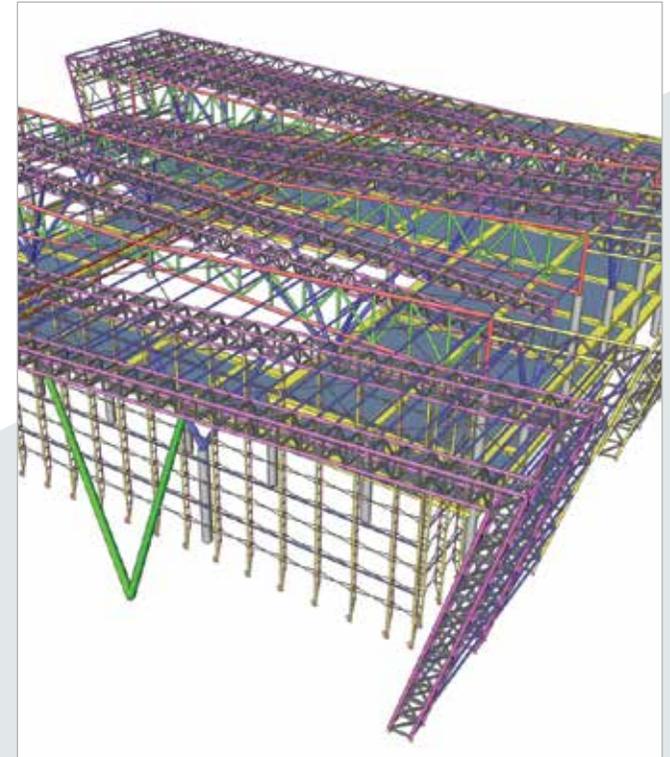
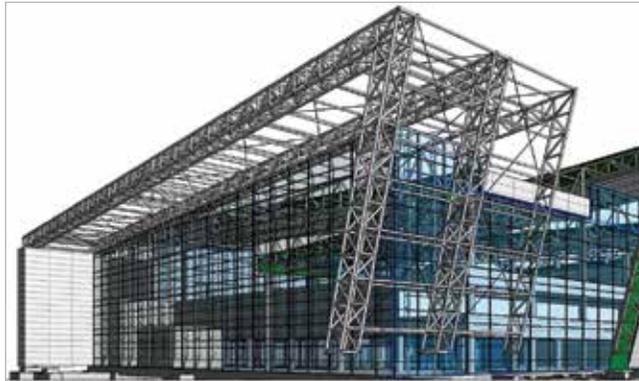
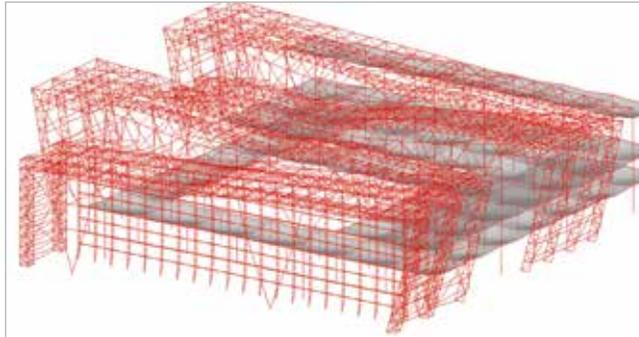
Rafael Núñez Airport Expansion - Cartagena De Indias, Colombia

Owner Sociedad Aeroportuaria De La Costa S.A
Architect Cemoso S.A
General Contractor Sociedad Aeroportuaria De La Costa S.A
Engineering Office Cemoso S.A
Construction Period 01/2019 - 01/2024

The expansion Project of the Rafael Núñez international airport in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, has been designed to reach the processing capacity of 8.5 million passengers per year. For this purpose, a new building has been designed, the international terminal, connected with a new boarding pier which spans over more than 400 m. The total designed area of this new expansion is 27,000 m².

The principal structure modelled with SCIA Engineer is the new international terminal building, a single construction of more than 5,600 m². This building has a steel roof composed of several spatial and planar trusses made of tubular HSS sections, forming different inclinations on the roof. For the analysis, calculation and design SCIA Engineer was used. The complex steel structures, the roof and façade, were modelled directly in the software. Furthermore, advanced analysis with nonlinear considerations, second order, tension-only elements, physical non-linearity of the concrete material and advanced dynamics and seismic analysis were performed. The ACI and AISC normative verification of the steel and concrete designs has been made in the project.

SCIA Engineer proved to be very flexible with data input, obtaining more productivity than with any other structural software used in the company.



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In the recent years, our approach to resolve highly technical projects has been recognized by a Brazilian Structural Engineering Association ABECE thanks to the innovative construction method of a cylindrical underground station, designed by our Technical Director.

