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**Panel of Experts and Dialogue: Building More Sustainable Cities and Communities in the Americas.**



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*The scientist who became a politic.*

In 2003, in the second attempt to break the traditional structures of the policy in Medellín was elected mayor with the highest vote in the history of the city until that time, doubling its main adversary. In his four years as mayor he wrote the great transformation of Medellín and showed that in Colombia it is possible to govern in a manner consistent with principles as the transparency in the use of public resources and citizen participation. For his work was named Best Mayor of Colombia in the period 2004 - 2007 and considered the Personality of Latin America in 2007, by the publication of the Financial Times, among other recognitions. With Fajardo, Medellín step from fear to hope. Fajardo is father of Mariana and Alejandro, is married to the psychiatrist Lucrecia Ramírez.

*Public Sector Trajectory:*

- Leader and founder of the civic movement Citizen Commitment (2000 - 2010).
- Mayor of Medellín (2004 - 2007).
- Presidential candidate of the Green Party (2010).

*Academic Trajectory:*

- Mathematician (1977) and Masters degree in Mathematics (1979) from the University of the Andes, Bogotá.
- Master's degree in Mathematics (1981) and a Doctorate in Mathematics (1984). University of Wisconsin - Madison.
- Full-time Professor of Mathematics at the University of Los Andes, Bogotá.
- Director of the Department of Mathematics of the University of The Andes.
- Director of Research at the University of The Andes.
- Director of the Center for Science and Technology of Antioquia.
- Member of the National Commission on Basic Sciences.
- Member of the National Commission of Master's and doctoral programs.