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Alday is the Dean of the Tulane University School of Architecture since 2018. After teaching as Associate Professor at the Valles School of Architecture (UPC) since 1998, in 2011 he was appointed as Quesada Professor and Chair of the Department of Architecture at the University of Virginia. Both in academic research and in practice, Alday promotes a new attitude towards the transformation of our environment and how architecture can contribute to the inhabitation of the most challenged areas of the planet. The role of architecture and the architects, the integration of disciplines and scales, the non-traditional programs as the hybridized infrastructures, or the social and environmental ethics are some of the challenges to confront with a global vision.

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