

## On the Boards

## Cibao New International Airport Santiago de los Caballeros, Dominican Republic Iuis vidal + architects | Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic





Santiago de los Caballeros is the second-largest city in the Dominican Republic and home to Cibao International Airport, which opened in 2002 and quickly became the third-busiest airport in the country. The airport is especially popular with Dominicans traveling to and from major cities on the East Coast of the United States.

Now underway is a major expansion that will roughly double the airport's capacity. Designed by luis vidal + architects, the project entails the construction of a new passenger terminal adjacent to the existing one, which will be converted into a mixed-use facility including restaurants, shops, a hotel, airport offices and parking. The design of the new terminal is distinguished by its undulating roof, whose form was inspired by the region's characteristic linear agricultural fields. The roof will be supported by a glulam structural system. The completed terminal will include large outdoor gardens where passengers may wait after passing through security.

