

## MELANIA BALTODANO ROBLES Architect

Born in San José Costa Rica, Melania received her bachelor's degree in architecture from UACA (Unversidad Autónoma de Centro America) in 1999. She worked with several renowned architects in Costa Rica such as Javier Rojas of Rojas Arquitectos y Asociados and Jorge Muñoz of Ingenya Consultoría Integrada.

In 2001 Melania moved to Boston MA and joined Turner Construction Company where she held multiple positions starting as an Assistant Engineer and moving up to Project Engineer and Project Manager for the Special Projects Division, an outfit within Turner dedicated to Interior fit outs and renovations.

In 2005 she joined Turner's Miami Business Unit as Project and Preconstruction Manager for Turner's Special Project Division in charge of interior fit-outs and renovations throughout the South Florida Area. Some of the projects include WEMED, LLC - a 15,000sf, \$1.3MM, two floor office renovation with interconnecting steel staircase in an existing downtown office building; Northwestern's KELLOGG School of Management Miami Campus, a 5,000sf, \$1.2MM high end auditorium and support and study rooms; and NOKIA's Latin America Headquarters – a 25,500sf, \$2,5MM, high end conference room center and office space.

In 2009, she took an expat assignment in Costa Rica for Turner International to manage the interior finishes and LEED Certification of Boston Scientific's Medical Device Manufacturing Plant in EL Coyol de Alajuela. She also oversaw the preconstruction, site inspection, project estimating as well as the interdisciplinary coordination for Merryl Lynch's Office Fitout in Panamá City, Panamá.

As founding partner of BOF Constructora, a Consulting and Project Management Services company specializing in Interior and residential renovations as well as commercial fit outs, she ran all aspects of the business including preconstruction, procurement, and construction of projects.

She currently works as a Sustainability Consultant on projects looking to obtain LEED Certification (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

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