

# European Semester Report on Spain & Competition Advocacy @CNMC

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- Recent report ([E/CNMC/004/18](#)): open procedure could save 10% (€1.7 billion)
  - Training civil (1,600) servants
  - Analysis of many tenders and general documents ([here](#))
  - In the pipeline: update of the Guide on public procurement & competition ([2009](#))

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- Report on Fintech ([E/CNMC/001/18](#))

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- Thoroughly assessed ([E-2011-04](#), [E-2008-01](#), [IPN 110/13](#) and many [reports](#))

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- Previously assessed ([E-2012-01](#), [E-2003-01](#), [IPN 009/09](#) & recent [court](#) appeals)

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- Recent [report](#), joint [statement](#) w/ regional competition authorities & [court](#) appeals
- In the pipeline “Urban mobility”

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    - Airports ([2015](#)) and air-traffic control ([2018](#))

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    - Some [reports](#) on State Aid to transport
    - In the pipeline: rebates for airplane tickets

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  - Improve governance and institutional quality

• [Transparency](#), [lobbies registry](#)

**Thank you!**