

COFECE announces the winners of the 2018 Journalism Award for Economic Competition

- *Thelma Gómez Durán* was awarded first place for her report *El Rey de los medidores* (*The King of the meters*), and second place went to *Raúl Olmos*, author of *CapufeLeaks, contratos a la carta* (*CapufeLeaks, contracts a la cart*).
- *The Commission seeks to foster a competition culture in Mexico through this initiative, in addition to positioning the topic on the public agenda.*

Mexico City, January 15, 2019.- The Federal Economic Competition Commission (COFECE or Commission) announced the winners of the third edition of the Journalism Award for Economic Competition. The first place was awarded to **Thelma Gómez Durán**, with her report *[El Rey de los medidores](#)* (*The King of the meters*). Second place was awarded to **Raúl Olmos**, for *[CapufeLeaks, contratos a la carta](#)* (*CapufeLeaks, contracts a la cart*). Both were published by *Mexicanos contra la corrupción y la impunidad*.

Three honorable mentions were awarded to: Elizabeth Rosales and Marco Tulio Castro, authors of *[Huele a monopolio](#)* (*Smells like a monopoly*) in *Newsweek Baja California*; Amapola Nava, for *Pagar más por lo mismo, medicamentos genéricos e innovadores¹* (*Paying more for the same, innovative and generic drugs*) from the *Agencia Informativa Conacyt* (Conacyt Information Agency); and Jorge Carrasco, for *[Monopolio transportista con aval del gobierno](#)*, (Government approved transportation monopolies), from the magazine, *Proceso*.

The jury for the Award was composed by Carlos Arce, professor from the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE); Luis Enrique Mercado, founder of *El Economista*, president and general director of *Imagen de Zacatecas*; Alberto Barranco, economic columnist for *El Universal* and collaborator in diverse radio and television programs; Lourdes Morales, political scientist, professor at CIDE, and director of *la Red por la Rendición de Cuentas*, and Salvador Camarena, journalist for *El Financiero* and director of journalistic investigation at *Mexicanos Contra la Corrupción y la Impunidad*, who in the final stage of the contest, -as foreseen in the call- abstained from assessing reports to avoid a conflict of interest and during the process he did not evaluate the submissions from his medium.

As part of the Commission's institutional objectives and strategic lines, this organization will continue to promote initiatives that foster a competition culture in Mexico and create



synergy with the country's communicators for the development of journalistic content related to competition, which position the discussion on the public agenda.

[See the winning entries hereⁱⁱ](#)

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ⁱ Copy and paste the link in a browser to see report in Spanish:

<http://www.conacytprensa.mx/index.php/ciencia/salud/20523-patentes-y-medicamentos-el-lucrativo-mercado-de-la-salud>

ⁱⁱ The content of the reports is the exclusive responsibility of the author and should not be understood as COFECE's official interpretation regarding the Federal Economic Competition Law, nor should it be used to bind the Commission in any way.



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