

Comisión Federal de Competencia Económica

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COFECE presents the 2019 Annual Work Program

- The Annual Work Program includes 17 strategic actions to comply with its constitutional mandate.
- COFECE reports 98.6% compliance with 2018 objectives.

Mexico City, February 5, 2019.- The Federal Economic Competition Commission (COFECE or Commission) submitted the *2019 Annual Work Program* (PAT) to Congress, in which strategic short-term projects are defined with the purpose of making progress regarding compliance with the institutional objectives in the medium and long term. Furthermore, the Commission presented its *Fourth 2018 Quarterly Report*, in which it is indicated that by the closing of 2018, COFECE complied with 98.6% of the objectives contained in said work plan.

Regarding the 2019 PAT, among committed actions for this year are:

- Conclude five investigations on absolute monopolistic practices (horizontal restraints or collusive agreements), three on relative monopolistic practices (unilateral exclusionary or predatory conduct) or unlawful concentrations and six trial-like procedures.
- 2. Carry out a study on competition and free market access in the retail market in Mexico.
- 3. Draft a document with the quantitative and qualitative analysis of the concentrations resolved by the Commission in 2019. This will render account of how Mexican market structures are changing.
- 4. Draft a document with the *ex-ante* results of the cases resolved by the Commission in 2018, with the purpose of assessing and disseminating the benefits generated by COFECE's prevention and sanctioning of conducts that are contrary to competition and free market access.
- 5. Perform an external audit of the budget and finances for the 2018 fiscal exercise.
- 6. Host a forum on company compliance programs regarding competition.





- 7. Launch the 2019 COFECE Essay Award, addressed to undergraduates and recent graduates.
- 8. Draft the document COFECE's 2018 in Numbers.

The Commission will provide Congress with a quarterly report on the progress on each of the actions committed to in the 2019 PAT, with the purpose of reporting back on its performance, interventions as well as the responsible and efficient use of allocated resources.

See in Spanish the <u>2019 Annual Work Program</u> See in Spanish the <u>Fourth 2018 Quarterly Report</u> See in Spanish the <u>15 - 2018 Relevant Actions</u>

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The Federal Economic Competition Commission is entrusted with safeguarding competition and free market access. This contributes to people's well-being and the efficient functioning of markets. With its work, COFECE seeks better conditions for consumers, more services of higher quality and a "level playing field" for companies.

