



At the 14th meeting of the Plenary of the Permanent Observatory of the Port Services Market

## Presentation of the "Study of the cost chain of the traffic of solid industrial bulks"

- **Salvador de la Encina commends the work of the Observatory for its contribution to improving the competitiveness of ports.**

26-06-2019 (Ministry of Development). The Plenary Session of the Permanent Observatory of the Port Services Market held its 14th meeting, under the presidency of Salvador de la Encina, President of Puertos del Estado, in which the "Study of the cost chain of the traffic of solid industrial bulks" was presented. According to Mr. de la Encina, the Observatory is a participatory forum that makes a decisive contribution to improving the competitiveness of our ports, guaranteeing free competition in the provision of port services, and in which all contributions are welcome.

The new study, devoted to the cement industry, the steel industry and the energy industry, includes a comparison with certain foreign ports. 47 terminals in 22 Spanish ports and 19 terminals in 14 foreign ports have been analyzed. In addition, three types of facilities have been differentiated: dedicated terminals, public terminals and public piers.

Likewise, for 2019 the beginning of the "Study of the needs and implications of the determination of the fuel supply service to ships as a port service in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 2017/352" has been announced; the diagnosis of the influence of Border Inspection Services on the competitiveness of Spanish ports and the comparative and analysis of Border Inspection Services in ports of countries with a competitive environment; as well as the analysis of the adequacy of the fixed rate of the waste reception service generated by ships for the different types of ships.



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With respect to the 2018 Annual Report, the work carried out during the year was reviewed. In addition to the required "Document of analysis and conclusions of the state of the port services market" and the "Competitiveness Report", the report highlights the full implementation of the System for measuring the quality of port services (SIGEIN), which will allow Port Authorities to contrast their levels of competitiveness with the industry, and the measures and action lines proposed to advance in transparency, highlighting the availability of users and the general public by the Port Authorities of information on port services (specifications and maximum rates...).