

BILATERAL MEETING HELD WITH PORTUGUESE & NORWEGIAN COMPETITION AUTHORITIES

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The Portuguese Competition Authority (AdC), and the Norwegian Competition Authority (NCA), held on the 19 and 20 of May, a bilateral meeting with the purpose of exchanging experience on topics of common interest. The agenda included discussions on anticompetitive behaviour in large retail (including "hub-and-spoke" arrangements), bid-rigging in public procurement, collusion in digital markets, anticompetitive agreements in the labor market (including *no-poach*), banking and online pharmaceutical markets, as well as efficient investigation techniques.

The director general of the Norwegian Competition Authority, **Tina Søreide** (pictured right), said: "We are extremely pleased and happy about this bilateral meeting. It offers a unique opportunity for discussing common challenges in law enforcement and advocacy with a highly competent counterpart."

The president of the AdC, **Margarida Matos Rosa** (pictured left), said: "This was an important opportunity to discuss how competition enforcement and policy can provide for more competitive, efficient and open markets. This is especially relevant given the context of economic recovery and increased digitisation."