

Supplier payment within 30 days

Government measure: Barcelona City Council supplier payment within 30 days since the invoice receipt.

Measure goal: Favor the liquidity of Barcelona City Council suppliers.

This measure is included in a government strategic objectives package, which also considers budgeting techniques according to the European System of Accounts (ESA95) and setting goals concerning percentages of current saving over current revenues. The following strategic objectives will allow the Barcelona City Council to maintain its remarkable solvency and to boost growth, economic recovery and business competitiveness:

- 1) Favor supplier's liquidity, because of being paid quickly (30 days in 2012).
- 2) Avoid public administrations to take advantage of supplier's leverage as a financing method.
- 3) Avoid the bad practices from certain suppliers of charging the financial costs in the bids presented to public administrations (consequence, increased competitiveness)

City Councils and public institutions must help to create the conditions for present and future economic growth. Starting from what's feasible and what depends directly from the institution it's a good way. If suppliers are paid properly it's because of budget consistency, institution solvency and internal processes conducted with effectiveness.