Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift van Maria C. de Campos

- 1. Nudges can be designed and implemented by different actors, giving rise to three fundamentally distinct types of nudges: private, public and regulatory nudges.
- 2. Using an iterative experimental process to design regulatory nudges a widespread design practice for nudges outside regulation is possible, but it imposes a disproportionate burden on regulators given what these tools can achieve.
- 3. It is possible to introduce both dimensions of iterative experimentation (trial-and-error and nudge renewal) when nudging is a regulatory tool; however, this increases design costs, as the most recent EU tobacco labelling legislation illustrates.
- 4. Several reasons justify the need to explore an alternative design process for regulatory nudge design, among which the emergence of nudging in regulation.
- 5. Designing nudges for regulation calls for different stages and evidence sources that can be integrated in preparatory and evidence gathering stages of regulatory processes.
- 6. By questioning revealed preferences, behavioural economics poses a problem for welfare analysis.
- 7. As a rationale for public intervention, behavioural biases can be seen in isolation, but also in their interaction with exploitative market practices.
- 8. Market failures are not the only rationale for regulatory intervention
- 9. Full policy analysis should not be limited to measures that preserve freedom of choice.
- 10. Explanations of public economics on the excessive growth of the public sector and even behavioural biases can justify why regulators might not pursue efficiency values.
- 11. Clarity for the reader is an arduous and never-ending endeavour for the writer; but a finished thesis in the hand is worth two in perfection land.