What you need to know about... Naming in Spain

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Let's start with some fun naming facts:

We have five co-official languages: Spanish, Catalan, Basque, Galician & Aranese Occitan.

We also have two protected languages: Asturleonese & Aragonese.



But more than 300 different languages are spoken in Barcelona.

This means that even the most local projects must keep an international sensitivity.

So, a name aimed to the Spanish market doesn't only have to work in Spanish.



This probably explains the use of anglicisms and linguistic hybrids.

Also, the wish to be perceived as a **global company** and to be seen as a **cool brand** reinforce this trend of linguistic hybridization.



Anglicisms and...



Platform to connect customers and private drivers using a mobile app



Scootersharing and bikesharing services in European cities



The largest community of racket sports players worldwide



... linguistic hybridisms.



Fast food sandwich chain



Low-cost airline

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Online personal shopper for women



Another trend worth highlighting is the search for **short**, **easy-to-pronounce names** that sometimes sound like nicknames and that seek easy memorization and a **human touch**.

Designers are also fond of these short names because they are easy to logotype and contribute to better digital usability.



The shorter the better.



Private high-speed rail operator in Spain



Room and apartment rental platform



Sneaker brand.
Acronym of "hall of fame"



On-demand courier services



Probably the most noticeable trend is the **use of humor and irony**, especially in sectors such as restaurants and alcoholic beverages.

There are countless examples of wines and beers with such names.



Being a bad boy in Spain is not only trendy, it's almost obligatory.



The beer Kusfollin, literally "f*uck you" in Catalan



Burger chain, literally "vice"



Restaurant, literally "bastard" in Catalan



Ironic names have a great buzz in social nets.

@mastersofnaming is a IG channel with more than 125.000 followers. It was created 12 years ago and it depicts the most surrealistic (and real) product and company names you can imagine.



Masters of Naming











Renaming is also a trend in Spain and we'll likely continue to see cases of companies that change its names.

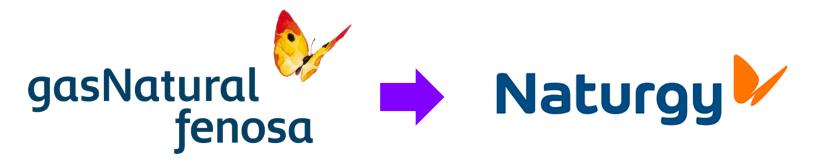
Brands that were once very descriptive and have become obsolete are seeking new, more flexible and long-lasting names.



A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.



From petrol to sustainability



From gas to energy



From telephone to communications



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