

Political scenarios for Italy

Italy's President Sergio Mattarella is consulting with parliamentary groups to see if a new coalition can be formed following the resignation of Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte



Right-wing coalition

Matteo Salvini

(above) and his **League** party – most popular party in Italy – could form alliance with **Silvio Berlusconi's Forza Italia** and **Giorgia Meloni's** extreme-right anti-immigration and anti-LGBT **Brothers of Italy**



Red-yellow coalition

Luigi Di Maio

(above) and **Five Star Movement** could form alliance with rival **Matteo Renzi's** centre-left **Democratic Party**.

Coalition could pass 2020 budget, and avert VAT sales tax hike that could plunge Italy into new recession



"Ursula option"

Centrist government led by former PM **Romano Prodi** (above), including **Democratic Party**, **Forza Italia** and **Five Star Movement** – parties that backed election of Ursula von der Leyen for presidency of European Commission

Caretaker government



Mattarella (above) could ask parties to form "institutional" government between **Five Stars**, **Forza Italia** and small parties on left

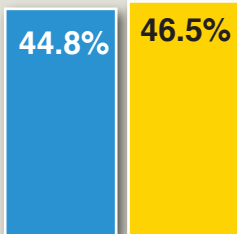
Snap election

If none of above gets majority



Giorgia Meloni (above) is staunch admirer of **Marine Le Pen** in France and Prime Minister **Viktor Orban** of Hungary

Voter shares of coalitions (Aug 12 poll)



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