

# Austria's kaleidoscopic election

Austrians elect a new parliament on September 29 in a vote that could put the far-right FPÖ Freedom Party in pole position to form a government for the first time in postwar history

Voting intention (Politico poll of polls)



28%

■ **Herbert Kickl:** FPÖ leader backs **Austria First** agenda and **remigration** – returning people to countries their families originally came from, especially for law-breakers. Kickl is committed



25%

■ **Chancellor Karl Nehammer's** ruling Austrian People's Party (ÖVP) implements €6 billion subsidy package in 2022 to cushion rising cost of living. While supporting Israel in Hamas war, humanitarian aid must enter Gaza and violence by Jewish settlers in West Bank must end

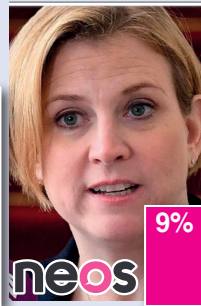
to Austria's neutrality and opposes support for Ukraine

■ **Andreas Babler:** Social Democrat leader holds second largest of five parties in National Council. Child security proposals could see families receiving €1,200-€2,000 more per year



20%

SPÖ



9%

neos

■ **Beate Meinel-Reisinger:** NEOS leader proposes recruiting 20,000 new teachers and cutting taxes  
*Other parties*  
**Grüne**

8%

Bier  
4%

KPÖ  
3%