

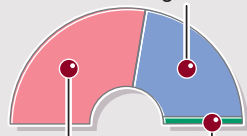
# Who's who in Italy's presidential showdown

Romano Prodi's incoming centre-left government and Silvio Berlusconi's centre-right opposition are at loggerheads over who should replace outgoing President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi. All 952 lawmakers from the Senate and lower house, plus 58 regional representatives, could face days of voting

## Chamber of Deputies

Lower house

Centre-right: 281



Centre-left: 348

Independent: 1

Total votes: 1,010

Rounds 1 to 3. Winner requires two-thirds majority: 674

Round 4. Absolute majority sufficient: 506

Likely votes – Centre-left: 541

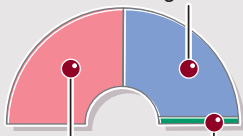
Centre-right: 460

Votes up for grabs: 9

## Senate

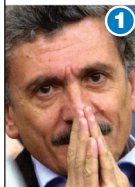
Upper house

Centre-right: 156



Centre-left: 158

Independent: 1



**1. Massimo D'Alema:** Centre-left's original candidate. Vetoed by Berlusconi over links to communists

**2. Giorgio Napolitano:** Last-minute replacement for D'Alema. Former lower house speaker and member of **Left Democrats (DS)**, Italy's former communist party. Opposed by Berlusconi and **Northern League**

**3. Gianni Letta:** Berlusconi's closest aide and preferred choice

**4. Giuliano Amato:** Former prime minister, centre-left candidate

**5. Mario Monti:** Former European Commissioner, centre-left candidate

**6. Anna Finocchiaro:** Former minister and member of DS