



Ladies and Gentlemen

I have heard some who think that our country is in crisis, that the worst is to come, that our civilization is about to disappear. They propose the decline, civil war and proposals of the past centuries. I have heard others who think that Europe does not have the capacity and the determination to move forward, that the disintegration of our Republic has come.

Europe, our country, did not fail: in the past, it was said that a European political, economic and cultural union was not possible: a mere utopia, a dream; Well this dream is the reality of our time.

Together we are the greatest political union of history. The most powerful economy. The strongest army. Together we are science, health and culture. Together, we are creating a better world. We are discovering new worlds. Together we are tolerance and progress. Together we are education and sharing. Peace, peace, peace forever. Together, we have faced some difficulties and we will deal with others, but we will overcome it by pushing us further and further. Do not listen to those who show fear, hate and weakness. They have no ambition. We are Europe and together we are unstoppable.

These elections are the opportunity to break the status quo and choose to proceed. I am fully aware that the responsibility as Chancellor is immense: it is bringing the values of our nation and to contribute to the dignity of every single citizen.

That is why I present myself as candidate to the Chancellery of the European Federal Republic.

The challenge in front of us is not to gather the left and right: it is about bringing together European citizens.

Because this transformation of our country is not a fight against someone, against a party, against a part of Europe. This is a battle for all of us, for the public interest, for our children. This fight is what will bring us together.

I'm appealing today to all women and men of good will. I'm addressing today to all those in our country who believe in the reconciliation of freedom and progress. Today I turn to all those who do not want to find a glimmer of hope in the dark, but want to incarnate it. The fate of our beloved Europe is in your hands.

Long live the Republic.

Long live Europe.

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