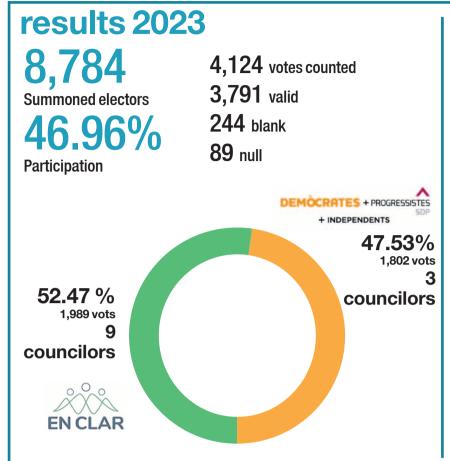
# Periòdic News



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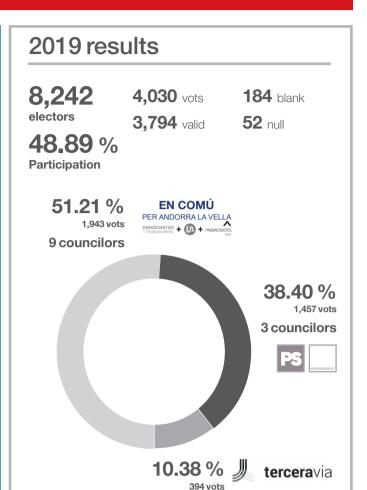
**GONZALEZ** 

**CAMACHO** 





- 3. Jordi Cabanes Turné
- 4. Marc Torrent Casado
- 5. Maria Nazzaro Martínez
- 6. Eva Tadeo Balaguer
- 7. Joaquim Miro Castillo
- 8. Susagna Mosquera Leyva
- 9. Xavier Surana Sanchez
- 10. David Astrie Padilla
- 11. Miquel Canturri Campos
- 12. Rosa Maria Sabate Cardona



## **Enclar defeats Democrats and** dyes the capital turquoise

The coalition of Sergi González and Olalla Losada wins Astrié and Canturri

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Victory for the Enclar coalition in the country's capital and breaks the democratic dominance of the last two legislatures. The list made up of the PS, Concòrdia, Som Veïns and Independents led by Sergi González and Olalla Losada managed to obtain 1989 votes, surpassing by 187 votes the continuationist candidacy of David Astrié and Miquel Canturri made up of Democrats + SDP Progressives + Independents, who obtain 1802 votes from the public. Enclar breaks a continuity of oranges in the Municipality of the capital that had started eight years ago with the current Minister of the Presidency, Economy, Work and Housing, Conxita Marsol. But this democratic dominance has been ended by the councilor who had been in the opposition in this last legislature and who will finally become the new consul-general of the national capital. This is the case of Sergi González, who is part of the PS, managed to form a coalition with Concòrdia and the new citizens' platform of Som Veïns to compose a list that was taken from the municipal leadership in oranges. Now, with their number two, Olalla Losada, they will be the new representatives of the capital's Municipalityand will relegate Astrié and the Democrats to the opposition minority.

González obtains the majority and Astrié is left with three councilors/The almost 2000 votes obtained by Enclar in these elections of 17D grant the coalition a total of new seats in the Municipality of the capital. These nine councilors will be named after Sergi González, Olalla Losada, Jordi Cabanes, Marc Torrent, Maria Nazzaro, Eva Tadeo, Joaquim Miró, Susagna Mosquera and Xavier Surana. Although the electoral system automatically grants the parliamentary majority to the list with the most votes, the remaining six seats were divided by 50% and the Democrats managed to obtain three seats in the municipal chamber with their 1802 votes. These three ministries will be for David Astrié, Miquel Canturri and Rosa Maria Sabaté, who will make up the orange opposition in the country's capital.

AN «EXCITED» GONZÁLEZ IS READY TO BE CONSUL MAJOR// The head of the winning list of the capital's elections, Sergi González, made statements last Sunday in celebration of his victory at the Suites Plaza Hotel, where he expressed his great emotion for the coalition's triumph. An exuberant González exclaimed that he felt «very excited and very eager



▶▶ Enclar's candidacy, last Monday morning celebrating the victory in the 17D at the Suites Plaza Hotel in the capital.

to be able to demonstrate why the public has given us this confidence in the whole candidacy and the whole team». Referring to his colleagues, the leader of Enclar exclaimed that he has great confidence in the members of his list, expressing that «we are capable of wanting to start the first day by listening to people and knowing the real problems they have and being in their side». González confessed that his rival, David Astrié, phoned him a few minutes before he appeared in front of this medium, thanking him for this gesture and expressing that he would has done the same in case of reverse results. The next Consul Major of the capital showed an outstretched hand towards Astrié declaring that «we all want the

best for Andorra la Vella and I think that now it is our turn to come together, talk, and they who have been in office for eight years, who explain the situation» and so Enclar's candidacy can push forward its program after winning these elections, as declared by the champion of the elections. González wanted to emphasize two aspects that have become key during his campaign. The participation of citizens when drawing up political initiatives and the special importance of peripheral areas such as Margineda and Santa Coloma have been their most significant flags that they have been able to transmit to the electorate. The next Consul Major stated that they wanted to promote «a speech and a realistic program that

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### Sergi González

«I'm excited and really looking forward to showing why the public has given us this trust»

#### Cerni Escalé

CONCÒRDIA

«We are very happy that our political project [in DA] they say they is consolidating in the central valleys. Strength comes in numbers»

#### **Conxita Marsol**

MINISTER OF THE PRESIDENCY «I would like there to be more participation in what is a country with total democratic normalcy»

#### Olalla Losada

«What better way to contribute things with the neighboring parishes than to do it with other groups that think like us?»

#### Pere Baró

«This majority that have is not real and that, and you can see it when there are two candidates»

#### Jaume Bartumeu

FORMER HEAD OF GOVERNMENT «We are not succeeding in conveying to citizens the need to participate and vote»

touches the heart and what really concerns us in all the cities of Andorra la Vella, Santa Coloma and Margineda. In the end, we didn't come to explain many things, but really the real day-to-day problems» of the citizens of Andorra la Vella.

Losada shows an extended hand to collaborate with Escaldes-Engordany and Sant Julià de Lòria/ The next minor consul of the capital number two of Enclar's candidacy, Olalla Losada, exultantly celebrated the triumph of the coalition in Andorra la Vella, as she also showed satisfaction with the victories of Consens in Escaldes-Engordany and Desperta Laurèdia in Sant Julià de Lòria, both candidacies related to her party, Concòrdia, and Enclar's candidacy. The candidates of the turquoise list chanted during the celebration exclaiming «we have the capital, we have the central valley», referring to the results of the three parishes in the south of the country. The future minor consul exclaimed that «in our program we bring many things in common with the neighboring parishes of Andorra-la-Vella, and what better way to do that than with other groups that also think like us?». Also, Losada showed her exultant joy and satisfaction with her team, declaring that «the truth is that we are very happy, because this means that the citizens have trusted our project. We are a very strong team and very eager to work for everyone», also emphasizing that the success of his list has also been found in constancy, unity and the contribution of individual qualities at the service of the collective project. In reference to the keys that have led them to win these elections, the candidate expressed that they

wanted to focus their campaign on «things that we see when we walk, when we walk down the street, that you see, that you see that are not well and you want to change them, and at Enclar we offer that and we want people to help us change".

Escalé emphasizes that «union is strength»/ The leader of the Concòrdia parliamentary group in the General Council, Cerni Escalé, was present last Sunday at the Enclar celebration. In statements made exclusively for this medium, the councilor emphasized that, in the case of Andorra la Vella, «a step forward in concentration and getting closer» by the various opposition parties to beat the Democrats in the elections. In the capital, Enclar's victory can be interpreted with the premise that «union makes strength», as Escalé declared. The general councilor also mentioned that, from Concòrdia, «we are very happy that our political project is gradually consolidating in the central valleys, in the south, and we are also gaining a presence in the other parishes. For us, it's a long way to go, but we're doing it very well together.»

BARÓ EXCLAIMS THAT THE DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY IS NOT REAL // General councilor and leader of the PS, Pere Baró, also celebrated Enclar's victory at the Suites Plaza Hotel with members of the candidacy. In exclusive statements for this medium, Baró referred to the contrast of results obtained by his party in the past national elections of the 2A, where DA obtained an absolute majority, and last Sunday's elections, where the PS has presented in several parishes in coalition. Baró exclaimed that «the story is that they talk a lot about what they have a very wide absolute majority, but it has been shown that, when there are two lists, we have won in the most important parishes». The social democrat recognized the great effort of Amb Seny in La Massana, where he regretted the fact that «we came close» to winning, as well as the case of Encamp with Avançem, where he trusts that Marta Pujol and her colleagues, they will make a good opposition to Laura Mas. Even so, Baró reaffirmed that «the proof is that we can work together and that we will do it very well, and that this majority they say they have is not a real majority, and you can see it when there are two lists». Likewise, the general councilor mentioned that the results of this 17D show «a change, and that winning in the two main parishes, such as Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany, shows that the citizens want something else. Now it's up to us to prove it over the next four years.» The social democrat also recalled the path traveled by the PS in the capital since it ceased to be a majority eight years ago until today with the victory of Enclar. Baró declared that, once he had returned to the communal management, «the objective is to make Andorra a citizen again, to stop being an amusement park. Obviously, tourism is important, but it should not be the central key, it should be the citizen. We believe that urban planning and housing will be the main points, and I am sure that, from day one of work, both from the Municipality and from the parties that support the General Council, we will work on it and show the people that it's a project that will go ahead». ≡

## The vote of the candidates, Bartumeu and Marsol

The personalities of the capital wanted more participation than what was observed last Sunday morning.

JOAN JIMÉNEZ ANDORRA LA VELLA

Last Sunday's election day in the capital for the 17D municipal elections showed a drop in the participation of the citizens of Andorra la Vella in their call to the polls. Who was not missing were some of the most emblematic political personalities, both in the municipal and national sphere.

The two candidates came with their families to exercise their right to vote, hoping that these would serve to bring them closer to the position of Consul General of the capital. The candidate of the Enclar coalition, Sergi González, also called for participation in the elections, declaring to the media that «we are in a unique moment. Luckily, we have two options and possibilities. Maintaining what it is currently during these eight years or this Enclar project that has been very well received by the people, has given us a lot of support. There is a lot of excitement, and we want to ask people to come and vote because four years are coming with a lot of energy and we need people to be motivated.»

On the other hand, the candidate of Democrats + SDP Progressives + Independents, David Astrié, encouraged people to go to the polls last Sunday morning, expressing his wish that there would be



▶▶ The former Consul Major of Andorra la Vella and current Minister of the Government, Conxita Marsol, exercising her vote last Sunday.

«a lot of participation from the people, that they come to vote, let it be shown at the polls». The candidate expressed that «I think that a very goodjob has been done during the campaign, an attempt has been made to explain the program very well and, in addition, everything that has been done in Andorra la Vella has been explained», insisting on the fact that

this has tried to focus «on the transformation that Andorra la Vella has had in the last eight years, with Santa Coloma and Margineda».

Apart from the candidates for the parish elections in the capital, other personalities from the country have come to exercise their right to vote. Among these, former heads of government such as Jaume Bartumeu. The former leader of the Executive showed his enthusiasm for new elections by declaring to the press that «I think that days like today we should celebrate because it is the festival of democracy. We made a Constitution so that the people could express themselves freely and that is what they are doing.» Bartumeu also expressed some sadness last Sunday morning due to the fear of low participation, due to the fact that «I see fewer people than other times, but maybe it's the schedule. I hope that the participation will be good and that people will decide.»

Another personality who voted last Sunday in the capital was the current Minister of the Presidency, Economy, Work and Housing and the former Consul General of Andorra la Vella until a few months ago, Conxita Marsol. The minister also wished that «it will be a day with a lot of participation». Marsol also shared Bartumeu's vision when she saw few voters last Sunday morning, and «that's why I would like to take the opportunity to encourage the voters to come and vote. Today is the celebration of democracy and it is important that everyone exercises their right to vote.» The ex-consul also explained that these are the first municipal elections after two legislatures where she is not running as a candidate. Even so, Marsol explained that «there are always nerves on days like this, but it is true, that you live a little more relaxed. Like it or not, you don't have that much nerve, but I thought I'd have a little less, because, whether you want it or not, there's a project ahead.» Asked whether last Sunday's results put her legacy as consul at stake, Marsol avoided controversies claiming that the same was said in the last general elections.

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