



POLITICS

Espot recognizes that room for maneuver on housing is limited

The head of government points out that even if they put flats on the market, they are «very insufficient in relation to demand»

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The Head of Government, Xavier Espot, acknowledged last Friday in an interview on RTVA's *Avui serà bon dia* program that the Government's room for maneuver with regard to the problem of housing «is limited». In this sense, he commented that, as is clear, they have evidence of the affair, that Espot explained that it has been on the table for some time, and that apart from being aware that they must do everything in their power to try to solve it, «we don't have a magic wand and we won't solve it overnight», while mentioning that they have been working for years to try to alleviate the problem.

Asked about the latest citizen mobilizations in this regard, and the chants that could be heard in these calling for the resignation of the

The president comments that they can still be «much more incisive» with apartments for tourist use and empty flats

head of government, the president explained that he does not like these facts, but it is also not what worries him the most if compared to the affair. In addition, he indicated that the proclamations «have no reason to be», remembering that «we had an election six months ago where the problem of housing was already very pronounced». Thus, he indicated that he felt legitimized and endorsed to continue governing. However, he pointed out that what he has to do is to exercise his duties to «make an effort, as much as necessary, to try to resolve this matter that we have as soon as possible». An issue that must be remembered, as has already been indicated before and he mentioned himself, we have had it in the Principality for years.

On the other hand, he wanted to excuse himself by saying that they have not woken up lately, as he asserted, some people have said. In relation to this, he recalled that they established the forced extension of lease contracts and that they have not made, and are making, neoliberal policies. In addition, and to downplay, he pointed out that this problem «is very difficult to solve, and we see this here and everywhere. It has not been definitively resolved.» In short, he declared that it is necessary to con-



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► Above, an image of the latest public mobilization for decent housing. Below, Espot talking about the negotiation of the Association Agreement.



Xavier Espot
HEAD OF GOVERNMENT

«[The chants against] have no reason to exist, since we had an election six months ago where the affair was already highly charged»

vey to citizens that governments do not have «an immediate solution to all problems», and that he is concerned to see them unable to give an individualized, concrete and immediate answer «to each and every one of these affairs».

Finally, and asked for possible maneuvers in this regard, Espot highlighted that «we can be much more incisive with apartments for tourist use

and empty homes». That is to say, «we have a reserve of homes that could transition to rental housing, and increase the rental real estate park», a fact that, at the same time, he mentioned that «would moderate the prices». Even more, the head of government pointed out that measures have already been adopted, while assuring that «we do not have a stable transition», which means that «even if we put flats on the rental market, these are very insufficient in relation to the demand that there is». He also acknowledged that they have put homes on the market, but that they are few in relation to the demand they have. At least, he indicated that some real estate parks they have acquired will be able to put them into use within a maximum period of one year.

Agreement with the EU/The Head of Government, Xavier Espot, in relation to the Association Agreement with the EU, pointed out that now it is up to them to explain it well because, he acknowledged, part of the public has doubts about it. However, he indicated that the referendum will be at the end of the year, once it has been completely closed, initiated and explained to the population. ≡

SOCIETY

The young people of Fent Camí launch a training plan

During December they took a course on food handling

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The Fent Camí program, which serves young people with disabilities in the Social Work area of the Nostra Senyora de Meritxell Private Foundation, has launched a training plan for the 2023-2024 academic year with courses and training for the prevention of criminal behavior, first aid and prevention of natural risks, food handling and workshops on affectivity and sexuality.

During the month of November, young people participated in a workshop on the prevention of criminal behavior in which the importance of making young people aware of possible crimes, being knowledgeable about school bullying, cyberbullying, and becoming aware was highlighted of the existing problems in order to avoid being victims of them. Also, from the Red Cross, several theoretical and practical training sessions on first aid were given, to find out what risks and accidents young people may encounter and how to react. On the other hand, from the SAAS, a workshop was organized to introduce the concepts of assertiveness, consent and affective and sexual relationships.



▶▶ Young people in a Fent Camí formation.

During this December, the Ecològic company taught a course on food handling with the aim of providing basic knowledge about food hazards and preventive measures for their consumption. Looking ahead to January and until the end of the year, they indicated that other training courses and workshops will continue to be carried out, as is the case with awareness and health

and safety awareness training in the work that will be carried out by the Mutuand company.

With these trainings, young people obtain accreditations that have a positive effect on them, as they contribute to improving their self-esteem and confidence, and consolidate their professional profile to be more prepared for the labor market.

It should be remembered that

Fent Camí is aimed at young people between 16 and 21 years of age, and provides a wide variety of theoretical and practical training that allows them to acquire skills that contribute to their development as professionals. In addition, thanks to the program, young people have more possibilities of employment, through the improvement of their basic and transversal skills. ≡

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▶▶ Vela asks for Shared Clinical History.

Vela demana per la Història Clínica Compartida

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The deputy president of the Social Democratic Parliamentary Group, Susanna Vela, entered a battery of questions last Friday about the implementation of the Shared Clinical History in the diagnostic imaging and analysis centers. Vela asked the Government about the degree of implementation of the Shared Clinical History in these centers and, in the event that there are still no diagnostic imaging and analysis centers to incorporate into the system, what measures the Ministry of Health envisages. The General Counsel formulated these questions in order to monitor the evolution of the introduction of the Shared Clinical History, since the Executive stated last legislature, following another written question from Vela, that the implementation had suffered from several problems. ≡

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