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MEPs to debate rule of law & dismantling of Orban's regime

Hungary

Today, MEPs will debate the rule of law in Hungary following the monumental election, which saw the end to the Fidesz regime in Budapest. The debate will be followed by a report next voting session.

Tineke Strik MEP, Greens/EFA MEP and European Parliament rapporteur for the situation in Hungary, comments:

"The Hungarian people can breathe again after they rejected Orbán's autocracy and they chose a new democratic future this spring. The new government has already achieved extra-ordinary progress, restoring independent media, ending the attacks on civil society and minorities as well as implementing sweeping anti-corruption reforms.

"Yet given the extent of the autocratic regime Orbán created, the new government has many challenges ahead to dismantle these strictures and rebuild European values.

"The government in Budapest must end the discrimination of LGBTI and Roma people, deliver on the European Court's judgements on asylum and foster a democracy in which many voices can speak again, and listen to these voices.

"We owe it to the Hungarian people to be diligent in our assessment and to remain by their side. What is at stake here is their freedom, their future, and the ultimate prevailing of the democratic values that unite us all as Europeans."

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