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## FRANCE'S 2027 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RACE IS ALREADY IN FULL SWING

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France's presidential election may still be more than 14 months away, but the campaign is already well under way.

Traditionally, French campaigns don't get going until after the August holidays of the year before, but the stakes for the 2027 contest are so high — given the potential victory of a far-right president skeptical of the European Union and NATO — that the race is now on.

Almost every policy agenda in France, from the environment to business regulation, is now being viewed through the lens of the next presidential election, in which the centrist Emmanuel Macron will be unable to stand.

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