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## Eight Parties Contest Election to 56<sup>th</sup> Cosa

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**Political Sampler Platter:  
Interviews with Party Leaders in 56<sup>th</sup> Cosa Election**

*Ian Plätschisch*

A stunning eight parties, a record in modern Talossa, are running in the election to the 56<sup>th</sup> Cosa, which is between May 15<sup>th</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Many are newly formed or under new leadership. I was able to get in touch with the leaders of many of these parties to conduct a series of short interviews. The parties included are listed in alphabetical order by abbreviation.

Balanceu / Balance (B)

Leader: Sir X. Pol Briga

**Why did you start the party?**

The efforts to establish Balanceu / Balance are tied to the perception that the Kingdom, which has existed for over four decades, is under threat. A number of those in elected office seek to change the balance and remove the dynastic system and establish that all offices function in an elected manner.

**What is your message to voters?**

In the current system, the King or Queen is only replaced in occasional, unusual circumstances. For those who have a specific complaint about a specific Monarch, there are remedies within the existing Organic Law, article II. The current proposals in legislation seek to change the office to periodic election instead, functioning as a Presidency.

There are systems in other types of organizations with posts held until demise, abdication, or removal. In a secular environment, the Supreme Court of the United States has positions replaced only in occasional circumstances. Under the belief system of the Catholic church, there are occasional replacements of the Pope.

The current situation in Talossa is like what the Chinese government is proposing in the succession process of the Tibetan spiritual leader - they seek to elect a Dalai Lama, rather than allowing the Tibetan Buddhist community to do so. This would be like the government of Italy deciding what person would be the next Pope.

The party does not desire to change the balance from a Kingdom to a Republic.

The Independent Monarchist (DIEN)Leader: Munditenens Tresplet**Why did you start the party?**

I still feel like a Free Democrat from the perspective of supporting individual freedoms and liberty, something which I inherit from being a Liberal Congress tea drinker. But overall, the party clearly wants to go in the direction of supporting the compromise [to periodically elect the King], and I completely understand and support their decision. To allow the Free Democrats to move forward without my sole dissenting voice (The Royal We) potentially holding them back, I decided to amicably leave the party.

Having said that, I have always enjoyed participating in the Ziu, and even where I have been inactive, I have made every effort to vote on time. I believe that I have a perspective on the monarchy that needs to be present in the Ziu; I do not believe that the views of many Talossans who support either the status quo or perhaps even a restoration of some previously held powers are adequately represented. At the same time, I can put aside my views on the monarchy to easily work with my republican friends on issues unrelated to the monarchy.

**What is your message to voters?**

I think that if voters want an individual who is not beholden to a party platform, who unequivocally supports the monarchy on principle, but who also desires to move on from the debate without compromising on the issue itself, they should cast their vote for me. But whether I get votes from anyone but myself, I vow to stand for the King.

King Lüc Party (KLüP)Leader: Glüc da Dhi**Why did you start the party?**

Well, certain scheming politicians might suggest that the KLüP is merely an attempt to use Lüc's good name to win many Cosa seats and use these to push my own political views. This is an outrageous lie. In fact, the KLüP is an attempt by me to use Lüc's good name to win many Cosa seats and use these to push my own political views and make Lüc our new King.

**What is your message to voters?**

Well, as you would expect there has been great enthusiasm among the other parties to make Lüc our King, but it seems to me that many of those seem to mean to make him another elected politician elected on a regular basis, and for a surprisingly large part by other elected politicians. Lüc has of course proven that he is able to win political elections, otherwise he would not have managed to become Prime Minister several times, but he has also proven

his competence in various non-political roles and as someone who is greatly respected by both sides of the partisan debate. I do not think Talossa needs another politician president conveniently styled as King. The KLüP has not quite solved the issue of how to make Lüc King without regular elections yet, but where there is a will, there is a way. (PS I do not rule out we make a 180 degree turn on this and sell it as a super-historic mega-compromise. Cannot let the LCC get away with all the glory.)

League of Centre Conservatives (LCC)

Leader: Txosuè Éiric Rôibeardescù

**What is your message to voters?**

We want a de-escalation of the “culture war” mentality whilst still holding to our ideals and principles and to what makes Talossa stand tall as a nation: a constitutional monarchy, a cultured populace, and a vibrant (if often unused) language.

We will also focus on immigration. We will set up a dedicated Ministry for advertising and promoting immigration, using search engine optimization and other such techniques.

Finally, we want the end of Talossan isolationism. We are calling for the end of the semipermeable wall that, despite the removal of those statutes, still exists between us and the outside world. We want to put Talossa back on the world stage to be the shining beacon that we are. We are one of the oldest, largest, and most cultured of all nations like us.

**Why did you become the new LCC leader?**

I wanted to become party leader because I felt a calling to help heal our nation after the last few years, which have driven us apart from one another. I have always been trying to de-escalate the situations that have arisen, and now I feel I am in the best place to help. Under my leadership I have already initiated cross-party talks that have melted the ice that has existed across the current political divide. I have planned with other movers and shakers to finally tear down this wall we have built between each other.

New Peculiar Way (NPW)Leader: Eiric S. Bornatfiglheu**What is your message to voters?**

Our message to the voters is that time has come for systemic change in Talossa. Not change for the sake of change, but instead change that is much needed. That is why we support the Historic Compromise on the Monarchy.

We also seek a lightness to Talossan politics, which all too often can be a tempest of bad faith trolling and reaction to the same. We seek, in good faith, to help everybody find their hobby horse and ride it into the sunset.

**What makes you passionate about peculiarism?**

For me, Peculiarism is inseparable from Talossanity. The impulse to do things differently, to mold things as we would have them, is the very same impulse that led an adolescent in Cream City to declare his bedroom a separate nation of the world. It is also a healthy response to a heated political climate.

Parti Tafialistà (PT)Leader: Marcel Eđo Pairescu Tafial**Why did you start the party?**

As a joke, mostly. I had the idea back when we were discussing ways of reforming the Cosa and Lord (back then Sir) Davinescu stated that (paraphrasing from memory) everyone being able to just buy their way into office, with democratic mandate being optional essentially, was a hallmark of Talossan democracy. So, I went ahead and did just that. It is a shame that I could not think of a better name than "Tafialist Party" though...

**What is your message to voters?**

I believe the Parti Tafialistà is the only party on the ballot that has the explicit goal of making its continued existence impossible. What I mean here is that when I inevitably become a Member of the Cosa, I will try and work towards replacing the current voting system with one that does not simply let you buy a handful of Cosa seats for 10 bucks and stuff like that.

Another key difference is I do not want anyone else to vote for the PT, which is why I wrote the 50-word statement and the party manifesto (which I am not linking because that would be an ad and I do not do ads) in Talossan to discourage undecideds even further. After all, I do not need anyone else's votes, I have my own, and that should be enough to get two or three seats, depending on turnout.

## Preview of “Unremembered Future”

*Ián Tamorán S.H.*

**EDITOR’S NOTE: “Unremembered Future” is the latest work of Talossan author, musician, scientist, and philosopher Ián Tamorán. It is now available from Lulu, where it is described as “a surreal and thoughtful tale of a computer scientist with a difference...[with] lashings of humour and sex and computing and linguistics and very odd events to keep you intrigued from cover to cover.”**

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A poem may be spoken, or sung, or written with a soft pen, carved on stone, or typed, or entered into a computer, or translated, or forgotten. And each act on a poem renders a different poem. The poem sung, even if the words are the same as those written, is different from the poem spoken, or the poem typed.

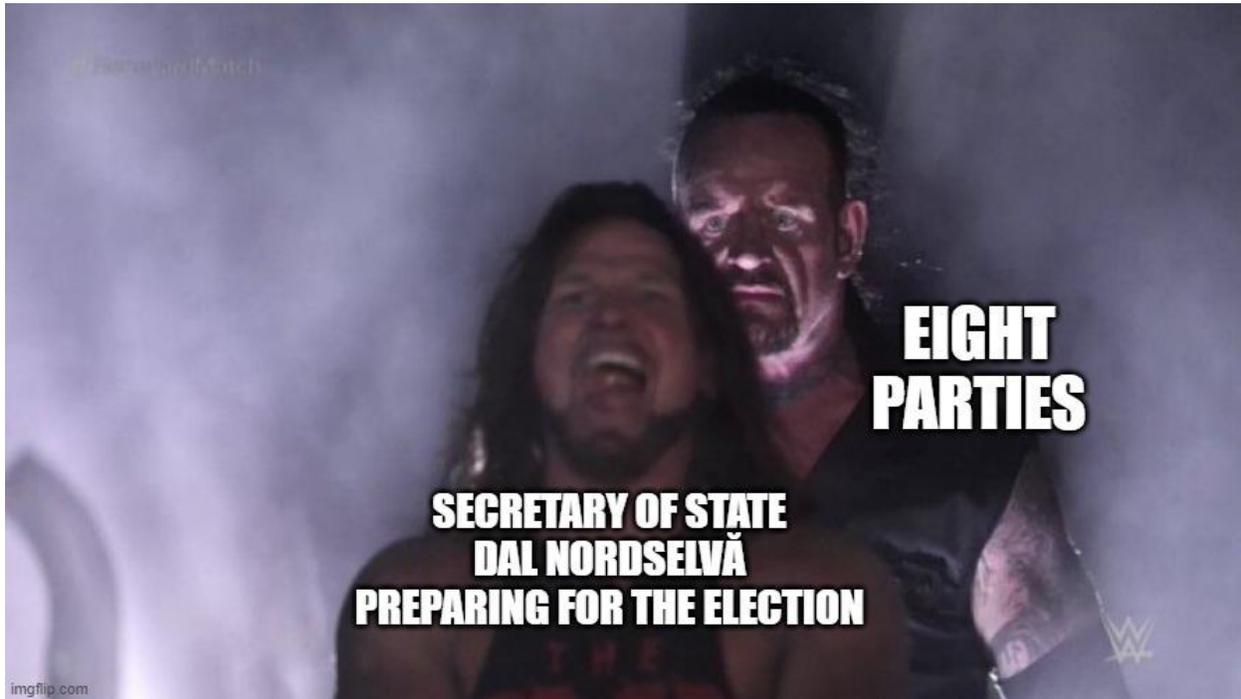
You are a poem. You were sung by a god, a kind god, a mysterious worker of wonder.

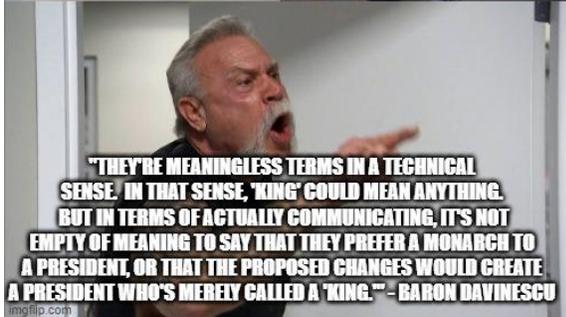
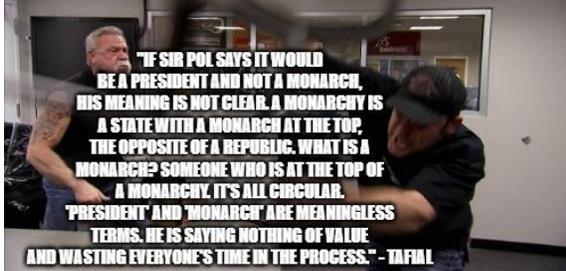
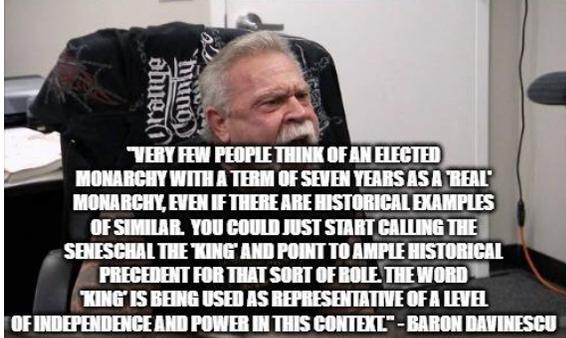
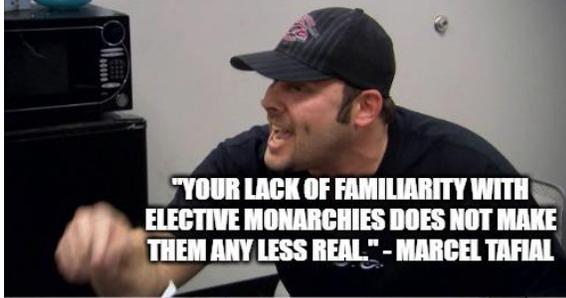
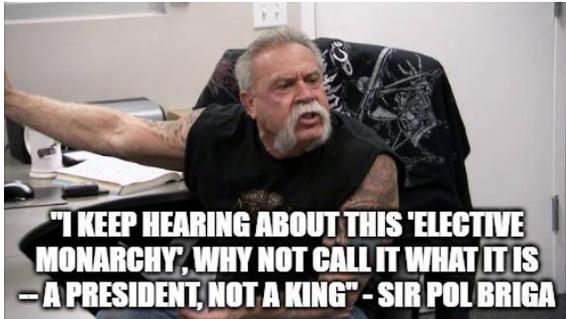
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This is NOT a book of poems - though there are poems (and computer programs, and philosophy, and statements of love, and automatic translation, and seduction, and quotes from Celtic mythology) within it.

## Recommended Monthly Value of Memes

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## **End Matter**

This is the last volume of La S'chinteia, at least for now. If you have any feedback about this volume or about La S'chinteia in general, send Ian Plätschisch a message on Wittenberg or post in the Wittenberg thread corresponding to this volume.

*Thanks for reading!*