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## A 'New Wave' Expected After French Elections?

**22 March 2017**  
**10:30 – 13:00**

**Stanhope Hotel**  
**Rue de Commerce 9**  
**1000 Brussels**

On 23 April, French citizens will vote in the first round of the presidential election for their future head of state. With populist movements arising throughout Europe, France is also confronting this and many other challenges. On the other hand, the outcome of the election in France may have significant repercussions for the future of the European Union as a whole.

What are the main topics which have prevailed over the past months and currently dominate the French election debates? Looking ahead, what are the possible scenarios?

The debate is organised in cooperation with the Fondation Robert Schuman (Paris) in both English and French.

### PROGRAMME

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| 10:30 | Registration and welcome coffee  |
| 11:00 | <b>Welcome remarks:</b> <b>Tomi Huhtanen</b> , Executive Director, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies  |
| 11:15 | <b>Panel discussion:</b><br><br><b>Elisabeth Morin-Chartier</b> , MEP, EPP Group (France - Les Républicains)<br><br><b>Jean-Dominique Giuliani</b> , President, Fondation Robert Schuman<br><br><b>Emmanuel Rivière</b> , Director, Kantar Public France<br><br><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Roland Freudenstein</b> , Policy Director, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies |
| 12:45 | <b>Closing remarks:</b><br><br><b>Pascale Joannin</b> , Director General, Fondation Robert Schuman   |
| 13:00 | Lunch buffet   |