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MACRON'S PROPOSAL ON DEMOCRATIC CONVENTIONS

- In his "<u>Vision for Europe</u>", President Emmanuel Macron has proposed that as of autumn 2017 so-called <u>democratic conventions</u> are organized in all EU Member States.
- Each Convention is supposed to discuss and elaborate a roadmap for the European Union and the policies it should adopt.
- On the basis of the proposals elaborated by their national conventions, the European governments will prepare a short roadmap, containing a series of concrete actions and clear priorities for the coming five to ten years that will allow the EU to face its common challenges.
- The initiative will have to take place inside the present treaties and structures.
- If a Member State will be willing to vote against an initiative, it should not be able to block that others move ahead.
 - The idea of a <u>multi-speed Europe</u> with <u>differentiated integration processes</u> represents one of the core principles of Macron's vision for the EU.
 - Among other proposals, Macron aims to set up a Eurozone Parliament and a European Finance Minister... will the other countries agree?

For more info:

- Official website of the party La République En Marche!
- President Macron's message on May 9, 2017 on Europe (with English subtitles)