

*Frente Amplio will govern
Uruguay again with electoral
victory of Yamandú Orsi*

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Montevideo, November 24 (RHC) -- Yamandú Orsi will be the next president of Uruguay for the five-year period 2025-2030 and with him the Frente Amplio (FA) returns to power with the promise of governing for all but with an emphasis on social justice.

Orsi beat the candidate of the ruling party, the former Secretary of the Presidency, Álvaro Delgado, who presented himself as the successor of the government of President Luis Lacalle Pou.

The projection of the consulting firm Equipos Consultores, based on the primary scrutiny, gives Orsi 49.5 percent of the votes and 46.2 percent to Delgado. We have a result, said the director of that firm, Ignacio Zuasnabar.

The president of the FA, Fernando Pereira, celebrated with hundreds of Frente Amplio supporters. "Today we won," he said. Both contenders arrived at this day with a narrow advantage for the FA, although several pollsters declared a "technical tie." It was the end of a long but calm electoral campaign that had the party primaries on June 30 and the presidential and parliamentary elections on October 27.

Yamandú was then the candidate with the most votes, but he did not achieve a majority above 50 percent of the votes as required by law, which decided today's runoff. That vote changed the balance of power in Parliament, where today the so-called Republican Coalition has a majority.

In October, the Frente Amplio obtained the majority in the Senate and 48 of the 99 seats in the House of Representatives, which indicates the need to negotiate to reconcile laws in the lower house. The FA was also the most voted option in 10 of the 19 departments of the country, an unprecedented event.

But on that date the sum of votes of the parties of the government coalition exceeded by 90 thousand ballots those obtained by the Front, some four percentage points.

Both Orsi and Delgado had previously expressed the need to achieve consensus on issues of national importance. Parliament can be the stage for such negotiations.

Former president José Mujica also advocated this, who nevertheless noted that to do so it is necessary to create a favorable environment.

The Frente Amplio formula made up of Yamanú and the vice president elect, Carolina Cosse, will speak tonight before hundreds of supporters gathered next to the HN Columbia hotel, in the capital's Old City, where the FA campaign headquarters was installed.

Leaders of the Frente and the elected senators and deputies of the left-wing alliance accompany the president-elect of Uruguay, who will take office on March 1, 2025.

The current president, Luis Lacalle Pou, announced that next week he will begin the transition process. He announced that he will invite the president-elect to a meeting at the Executive Tower, the seat of the presidency of Uruguay.

The Frente Amplio held the presidency of the Republic between 2005 and 2020 with Tabaré Vázquez (2005-2010 and 2015-2020) and José Mujica (2010-2015) as presidents.

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