

President Toomas Hendrik Ilves today signed a resolution to appoint Taavi Rõivas as the candidate for the position of Prime Minister. Taavi Rõivas is Chairman of the Estonian Reform Party, which won the largest number of seats in the recent Riigikogu elections.

The Head of State said at the meeting with Taavi Rõivas that the formation of a majority coalition must now take place as soon as possible, followed by the conclusion of a coalition agreement, so that we can look forward to the future of Estonia and stability. It has been one month since the parliamentary elections were held.

"Should this be a power coalition between the Reform Party, social democrats and the Pro Patria and Res Publica Union, the 59 votes that these three parties have in parliament will give you a strong mandate; use it responsibly and with due statesmanship," President Ilves told.

"A majority government is only successful when it secures the support of the people together with that of parliament," he added.

Taavi Rõivas now has 14 days to give a presentation about the principles for the formation of the future government and obtain its support from the Riigikogu.

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