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The Klaus 10%



The opposition and media see their chance to use the apparent defeat of Donald Trump in the U.S. elections to reframe the dialog in the CR. Illiberal democracy is on the way out, the narrative goes, and Andrej Babiš's time is up. The latest [Kantar CZ poll for Czech TV](#) seems to confirm this. ANO would lose its current partners (ČSSD, KSČM) and couldn't even form a minority coalition with SPD. This presents a huge opportunity for liberal democracy, but also for the illiberal Václav Klaus Sr. He is currently the only viable political opposition to the WHO-backed covid-19 policies of the Babiš government. But what to do about Klaus's major handicap of not having a political vehicle? If Václav Sr. agreed with Václav Jr. on becoming the election leader of Tricolor (but not the chairman), the father-son team could perhaps win 10% in next year's parliamentary elections. If anyone is able to stir the pot and then agree with Babiš on extending the life of illiberal democracy, it's Václav Klaus Sr.

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