That Inexplicable and Intolerable Phenomenon: The Clear Victory of the Right in the 2022 Italian General Election



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On the 25<sup>th</sup> of September Italy held a general election: the center-Right coalition, led by Giorgia Meloni's Brothers of Italy (quoting from Wikipedia): "a radical-right political party with neo-fascist roots" won an absolute majority of seats in the Italian Parliament. The first truly democratically elected government in eleven years, Meloni was appointed Prime Minister of Italy on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October, the first woman to hold that position, and the youngest PM to boot.

My Italian friends, chiefly from the Milanese upper crust, were horrified. They had always referred to her as the "pescivendola", the fishmonger, or the "borgatara", the suburbanite from the wrong side of the tracks. How could such a low-class creature lead what is now Italy's largest party, which she cofounded only ten years ago, and then become Prime Minister? What had gone wrong? Eleven years of remotely democratic governments, if democratic at all, all Left-leaning and made up by technocrats appointed by the President in cahoots with the European Union and The Powers That Be (assorted globalists and multinationals) had not shown Italians the virtuous way?

To make things worse, surveys taken recently nationwide indicate that Meloni's Brothers of Italy party now hovers around 30%. Even traditionally Left-leaning regions such as Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, and Umbria-my wife and I spent the summer in the latter, and chatted at length with the locals-went for the center-Right coalition. The Left was dumbfounded. Their campaign had been one of denigration, replete with scare tactics: not in favor of a program of theirs, but all against Meloni, with virulent attacks *ad personam*. Surely, she was a fascist. A hundred years exactly after the March on Rome, which resulted in Benito Mussolini's National Fascist Party (PNF) ascending to power, Italy was facing another, grave fascist threat. Vote for us, or else...

Some more level-headed career politicians, such as former Prime Minister Renzi, currently a senator, warned the Left; paraphrasing: "The more you claim she is a fascist, the more votes you give her." Prophetic: the victory of the center-Right was so overwhelming, the President wasted no time in appointing Meloni as Prime Minister. It should be noted that she managed to emerge as the first female Prime Minister in the history of the Republic from a male-dominated party in a male-dominated country. That accomplishment in itself does *not* make feminists happy, but is possibly disconcerting for the mainstream, to which they now belong, as it bespeaks Meloni's fortitude, determination and unquestionable political prowess.

The international propagandist media continues to portray Meloni as a neo-fascist; yet, facts, not speculation, tell the world that she has won a democratically held election; that her coalition has the majority in both chambers; and that, therefore, very much *unlike* Mussolini, Pinochet and other such gentlemen, she has *not* seized power through a *coup d'état*. That *would* have been fascist, but... it simply did not occur. Once sworn in, did she abolish all parties but her own? Did she silence the media? Not at all; those, nowadays, seem to be proclivities of the leftist-globalist. Indeed, her speech to Congress for its vote of confidence was largely praised even by the opposition. Then why does the hatred/dislike carries on undiminished?

Meloni's emphasis on subversive values such as God, Family and Country are utterly indigestible to the heralds of the New World Order. They all work against John Lennon's dystopic vision exposed in his song *Imagine*. There *is* God, Meloni states, *and* religion; there *is* Family as a beloved principle, *our* families; there *is* Country, *our* Country; we belong to such principles, and they, to us; they define our identity; they make us Italian. Not many countries in the world have a history as long, rich and complex as Italy. There is pride in that, and a strong sense of belonging. The EU has prevented wars (within the Union, not outside it)—well done. As for the rest, it is now clear that Italians, at least the majority of them, do not want unelected officials in Brussels to dictate Italy's policies, for a very simple reason: Italy does not belong to them, and they don't belong in Italy.

All of the above would seem, in essence, to be common sense, but in the twenty-first century common sense has become subversive. Abstract, outlandish ideas hold sway in the minds of reality-avoiding ideologues, and are assiduously echoed by the media, traditional and social alike. Meloni, her government and her coalition will continue to represent a threat to the New World Order, no matter how well Italy will do under her guidance, or maybe precisely because of that: God forbid her policies should work and improve the lot of Italians!

As for my Milanese friends and all such bien-pensants all over the country, who call Meloni the "fishmonger" and are horrified by her strong Roman accent and brusque mannerisms, I should like to point out that, to my surprise, I have seen interviews in which she speaks English, Spanish and French better than any Italian politician I can remember. Moreover, it's precisely this classism of the *bien-pensants*, this characteristic smugness of theirs, that has cost the Left the erosion of its traditional electorate. It has become apparent to all but the surviving Leftists, who to this day keep racking their brains about how their resounding defeat could have happened, that the Left no longer represents the people; it represents, rather, the elites. And the people, whose parents were consistently voting for the Communist Party just a few decades ago, now feel that they are represented by the Right.

How will Prime Minister Meloni fare? Barring interferences from The Powers That Be (which could certainly happen), and silly convulsions by Berlusconi, whose party only received 8% of the vote, who hates no longer being the prima donna, and who is also struggling with senility, or some brilliant ideas by Salvini, who also feels resentment for the popularity he has lost among Italians, Prime Minister Meloni may pull off another miracle. Millions hope she will; millions hope she won't. Time will tell.