

## EPP PRESIDENT ON THE LUXEMBOURG REFERENDUM "THE SPIRIT OF THE EUROPEAN CONSTITUTION IS STRONG"

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European People's Party President Wilfried Martens welcomed today the positive result of the Luxembourg referendum on the European Constitution.

◆*This result shows that, despite the setbacks in France and the Netherlands, the spirit of the European Constitution continues to be strong,*◆ he said.

Martens stressed that eleven countries have already ratified the European Constitution: ◆*The majority of the European citizens want a strong Europe with more security, freedom and prosperity. This should encourage EU leaders to find ways to move forward.*◆

President Wilfried Martens also praised the Luxembourg Prime Minister Jean-Claude Juncker, who defied all current difficulties: ◆*Prime Minister Juncker has, once again, proven to be a strong pillar of the EPP and of the European Union as a whole.*◆

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