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Charles Dickens's novel *A Tale of Two Cities*, published in 1859, has Paris and London on stage just before and during the French Revolution. Well, the key during the upcoming European Parliament elections can be in two other cities in central and eastern Europe: Budapest and Bucharest.

These two cities are the bastion of two notable political forces: Fidesz and Alianța pentru Unirea Românilor (AUR). The first is already a colossus of the conservative right-wing space in the West, and after its departure in 2021 from the European People's Party it looks at ECR as its next destination. The second also has a view of the same European party, which would make them allies.

There is only one problem: both parties hate each other, as their respective countries also hate each other for historical issues and, fundamentally, territorial claims.

The polls give AUR 12 MEPs, while Fidesz is given up to 14. Despite the distance currently separating these two political formations, in Europe they would have a similar weight. While Fidesz seems to have the unconditional support of VOX, everything points to the fact that AUR will have Fratelli de Meloni at his side, who also has a fledgling rivalry with Orbán to see which of the two is crowned king of the European Conservatives for the next legislature.

It is therefore vital that, without giving up their national interests, the conservatives of Hungary and Romania fly the same flag in Brussels, under the threat of conservative civil war if this does not happen. Something that would be disastrous in a legislature in which the conservative patriotic forces and defenders of a Christian Europe will be able to hold the pulse of a globalist Social-Democratic majority.

This case also points to a possible paradox: conservatives are ultra-friendly defenders of their countries and their national interests. However, in the face of the abundance of conflicting national interests, a conservative international order can hardly be achieved, which can prevent a true united front from presenting itself in the face of threats to the postulates that this right defends throughout the West.