

# Mapping a Path Towards Catalan Independence



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The desire for freedom, to protect our people, to change for the better, to build, to hope, to have ambition, are some of the elements driving Catalonia's political project to become a state. It is a legitimate aspiration, shared with many other countries that have become independent in the last few decades. None of them, incidentally, have wanted to go back to what they were. And now we, too, want our own opportunity and we want to do it our way, the Catalan way, in an exemplary manner, democratically, with a sense of civic spirit and respect, approaching it not as a problem but as an opportunity.

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