
BULGARIA'S PRESIDENT YOTOVA LEADS 1ST-ROUND VOTE, HEADS TO RUNOFF

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Bulgarias incumbent President Iliana Yotova narrowly led the first round of the presidential election, with nearly all polling station results processed, according to preliminary figures released Monday.

Yotova and her vice-presidential running mate Kiril Valchev received 34.759% of the vote, ahead of former Prime Minister Andrey Gyurov and his running mate Georgi KandeV, who received 31.953%, the Central Election Commission reported.

The figures covered 99.95% of polling station protocols from Sundays election. Some 4.4% of voters selected the I do not support any candidate option.

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