



## The News

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*by Emma Phillips*

France play Portugal in the quarter-finals of the Euros this evening. Winning is a must or the French team will have to come home. Adrien Rabiot is suspended and so will not be in the line-up of tonight's match. Tonight's winner will face either Spain or Germany in the semi-finals. Kick-off is at 9pm.

We're down to the last few hours of campaigning before Sunday's second round vote in the legislative elections. The cut-off time is midnight before the entire country heads to the polls the day after tomorrow. According to the latest Ipsos poll for newspaper *Le Monde*, the Rassemblement National could become the leading force in the Assemblée Nationale and yet fail to secure an absolute majority. The far-right party and its allies could stand to win 170 to 205 seats.

In the meantime, the week between the two rounds has seen 51 candidates attacked, a figure confirmed by the Minister of the Interior Gérald Darmanin. Candidates from the far-right, the left and the governmental majority have all been subjected to attacks.

In the UK, Rishi Sunak has been shown the door after last night's general election. The landslide victory for the Labour party puts an end to 14 years of Conservative rule. Keir Starmer is now Prime Minister after, as tradition dictates, being formally offered the position today by King Charles III.

Pierre Palmade will be judged on November 20<sup>th</sup> in Melun. The actor is accused of causing an accident on February 10, 2023 while he was under the influence of narcotics. Three people were seriously injured, including a pregnant woman, who then lost her baby.

And finally, with a look to the Tour de France, Belgian rider Remco Evenepoel won today's time trial between Nuits-Saint-Georges and Gevrey-Chambertin in Burgundy. The yellow jersey stays put on the shoulders of Slovenian Tadej Pogacar.