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The French go to the polls this weekend but the country is still reeling from Thursday's shooting in Paris.

One terror expert told euronews that the killing of the policeman could shift the debate to the right over the next days and weeks.

"If one thinks in a serene and lucid way, we know that the electoral process is a target. We avoided an attack in Marseille, and there was one, even before the first round. Unfortunately the week is not over and between the two...so it is quite possible that terrorism will come back into the campaign and in any case even if that doesn't happen, as we will all hope, I think that from now until the second round security will be at the center of all the debates, said Claude Moniquet, a former French intelligence agent.

"It is strange that this attack comes at a time when, apart from in some circles, the terrorist issue has not been approached enough by candidates during the campaign. I have the impression that it will favor those who are tough on security, rather the candidates of the right, moderate right or extreme right."

Claude Moniquet was speaking to Euronews correspondent Gregoire Lory in Brussels.

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