



## The News

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For the 109th edition of the Tour de France, the Big Loop will begin in Copenhagen, Denmark. The race will also pass through Belgium and Switzerland. The Loop will also go through the mountains of la *Planche des Belles Filles*, the return of Alpe d'Huez and the Pyrenees. And after twelve years of absence, the women's Tour de France will be back next year. Eight stages will take place between the 24th and the 31<sup>st</sup> of July.

Four months of a suspended prison sentence were requested against the spectator who had caused the riders to fall at the Tour de France last June, by holding up a sign for her grandparents. She was today at the Criminal Court of Brest. The defendant recognized the dangerousness of her behavior and presented regrets. The sentence will be pronounced on December 9th.

Gérald Darmanin filed a complaint against Philippe Poutou. The candidate of the New anti-capitalist party in the presidential election, strongly criticized the police, claiming that they were over-armed and dangerous. According to Philippe Poutou, the police kill and mutilate. The Minister of the Interior considers these remarks insulting and unworthy of an elected representative of the Republic.

Emmanuel Macron promises "short-term" action to help the French face the sharp increase in energy and fuel prices. Announcements are expected in the coming days. Emmanuel Macron also wants to take diplomatic action to try to freeze prices with the main exporting countries.

The courts agree with the NGOs of the "Case of the Century". The organizations denounce the inaction of the government with regard to climate protection. The administrative court of Paris has just sentenced the State, and gives the government until December 31, 2022 to take measures to limit CO2 emissions. The court rejects, on the other hand, the request of the NGOs for a financial penalty of 78 million per semester of delay.