



## The News

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They continue to fight the flames. Firefighters remain mobilized, working to extinguish two large fires in Gironde. About 1,700 hectares of forest burned down in the south of the department, around Landiras and La Teste-de-Buch, at the bottom of the Dune du Pilat. Thousands of people were evacuated but luckily, no one was injured. 4 Canadair and 2 Dash planes were deployed to support the firefighters. The Minister of the interior, Gérald Darmanin, is expected on site this evening.

The conclusions of the Senate after the incidents at the Stade de France, during the Champions League final have been communicated: The senators point out a "sequence of dysfunctions" in terms of maintaining order and "failures in the preparation". The decisions of the Paris police headquarters are pointed out, in particular with regard to the pre-filtering of spectators when leaving the RER B, where a bottleneck had formed.

The minimum wage will increase by more than 2% on August 1st. For a full-time worker, the monthly minimum wage will increase by around 26 euros net. As a reminder, in June, inflation was up by almost 6% over one year.

Salah Abdeslam was extracted from the prison of Fleury-Mérogis and is being transferred to Belgium. The only member still alive of the commandos of the attacks of November 13 will be tried from October for the attacks in Brussels, in March 2016. This trial could last more than 8 months.

There is something new at the Marseille IHU: Professor Pierre-Edouard Fournier will take over as head of the Institute in place of Didier Raoult. Professor Pierre-Edouard Fournier is a specialist in infectious diseases. The IHU is at the heart of many controversies, in particular the prescription of hydroxychloroquine against the coronavirus.

And then the Tour de France, with the 11th stage this afternoon between Albertville and the Col du Granon. Four major climbs are on the program, including the Galibier and a finish at an altitude of over 2,400 meters.