



The News ©

September 29th, 8 am

by Emma Phillips

Hurricane Ian has hit Florida in the United States and residents there are feeling the full force of the category 4 out of 5 storm. Winds are reaching 250 km an hour, the sea is flooding and there is torrential rain. Millions are without power and some twenty migrants have gone missing at sea. Florida Governor Ron DeSantis says that Ian is one of the top 5 strongest hurricanes to ever hit the state.

Today is a day of strike across several profession in France, to protest dwindling purchasing power and the upcoming reform on pensions. Several unions put out the call for a national strike and more than a hundred rallies are planned across the country. Disruptions lie ahead for transport. 6 out of 10 TER trains will be running, half of Intercite trains and 2 out 3 ouigo trains.

Last night, Emmanuel Macron reiterated the government's ambition for pension reform. A three-month consultation phase is due to be put in place.

The official decision has come in that the clothing store Camaieu will be closing for good due to bankruptcy. 2,600 jobs will be lost in France and by Saturday, 500 or so stores will shut forever.

Italian astronaut Samantha Cristoforetti is the first European to take the helm of the International Space Station. The investiture ceremony took place yesterday 400 km up in the air and was broadcast live. Samantha is 45 and the fifth woman to take command of the ISS.

And finally, France's women's basketball team face China in the quarterfinals of the World Cup this morning. In the last five world cups, France have always lost at the quarter final stage. This match starts at 10 am.