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The government is reassuring that the current fuel crisis will be resolved within the next few days, although the current queues at the pumps tell another story. Around 15% of Total gas stations are experiencing supply difficulties. Workers in the group's refineries have gone on strike, with employees in the union CGT calling for a 10% salary increase.

Elisabeth Borne has said that "acting together will yield results" in reference to the new plan for energy sobriety. The Prime Minister presented the plan yesterday, the aim of which is to reduce energy consumption by 10% in the next two years. The measures concern individuals, the State, communities and businesses.

There is fresh division in the left-wing alliance known as Nupes, due to a tweet made by the leader of the party France Insoumise. Yesterday, Jean Luc Mélenchon tweeted about an upcoming march organised by all left-wing parties due to take place on October 16. In it, he referred to the French Revolution and the return of the king and queen to Paris in October 1789. The historical reference caused a stir within Melenchon's recently acquired allies. The head of the Partie Solicialiste, Olivier Faure replied that "Jean Luc, you can do better. Provocation is not always the best way to get heard".

The meeting of 44 European leaders that got underway yesterday will continue today in Prague. At the top of the agenda for discussion has been the war in Ukraine. Another meeting in the same format will follow in Moldova, in spring 2023.

The French ambassador in Russia has been summoned to the Kremlin, a clear sign of Putin's displeasure at France's latest decision of more arms deliveries to Ukraine. Yesterday, Emmanuel Macron announced the dispatch of a dozen additional cannons to Kyiv.

And finally, the winner of the Nobel Peace Prize will be announced today in Oslo. There are more than 300 candidates in the running. The official list is never made public but several names have come up, including Volodymyr Zelensky, the president of Ukraine and climate activist Greta Thunberg.