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Will the industrial movement that has hit the country's oil refineries spread to other sectors? Unions including the CGT, the FO, Solidaires, the FSU and other youth organisations are calling for a day of inter sector strikes on Tuesday. Personnel are called on to demonstrate for increased wages and to defend the right to strike.

The union CGT slammed the door on negotiations with Total Energie last night. Other unions, the FDT and the CFE CGC seem to have found a compromise. The unions represent 56% of all refinery employees. The agreement provides for a salary increase of nearly 7% and a bonus ranging from 3000 to 6000 euros. The agreement now needs to be approved this morning by union members.

For now though, the strikes continue in French oil refineries. Five out of seven sites remain stopped, as well as several depots. The strike has been lifted at the site of Fos sur Mer that belongs to Esso-ExxonMobil. Currently, a little over 29% of the country's service stations are lacking one or more fuels.

Medical students all over France will be demonstrating today due to a new bill that has been tabled that could see student interns spend a fourth year in a medical desert, or in other words, an area severely lacking in medical care. There is a demo planned in front of the Ministry of Health in Paris as well as in several cities including Lyon, Tours and Nancy.

To the war in Ukraine and residents of the Kherson region could be evacuated to Russia. The occupying authorities have reached out to Moscow for help in organising the departure of civilians. The region has been targeted by a counter-offensive from the Ukrainian army.

And finally, to handball and the men's team campaign to qualify for the 2024 Euro championship got off to a great start last night in Poitiers. Guillaume Gilles's French team won against Latvia. The final score was 35-18.