



The News

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This morning will see the end of 9 years of investigation and 6 months of trial over the railway accident in Brétigny-sur-Orge in the Essonne. A judgment will be given today on the derailment of a Paris-Limoges train which killed 7 people, and injured more than 400 others, in July 2013. The SNCF, the network and a former railway worker are being charged for these deaths and for involuntarily injuring so many others. The prosecution has requested a fine of €450,000 against the company, as well as the removal of the SNCF Réseau agent.

A man has been placed in police custody in Brive in the Corrèze after the phone of a 20-year-old student, who has been missing since this weekend, was found at her home. The suspect is thought to have met the young woman in a nightclub on Saturday evening. She hasn't been heard from since.

The unemployment benefits bill was adopted yesterday evening at the first reading by the Senate. The measure involves calculating benefits according to the current economic situation. The upper house which has a right-wing majority, also tightened the text with a measure penalizing those who refuse to take on a CDI after a CDD. MPs and senators must now agree on the full text.

In an open letter to world leaders, more than 330 companies have demanded that large organisations are forced to assess and then make public their impact on biodiversity. This is in the run-up to COP15 which opens in December. Among the signatories of this letter are Ikea, BNP Paribas and the Danone group.

In the United Kingdom, the new Prime Minister promises to repair "the errors" of his predecessor. Rishi Sunak formed his new government yesterday and reappointed Suella Braverman to the Interior Ministry. Ms Braverman, a former lawyer, had participated in the fall of Liz Truss.

And finally to football where PSG is through to the knockout stages of the Champions League. They won 7-2 last night against Maccabi Haifa. Marseille play against Frankfurt tonight for their penultimate group game. Kick off is at 9 o'clock.