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In Ukraine, the Zaporizhia power plant is at risk of a nuclear accident. This statement was made by the president of Rosatom, the Russian energy giant, as the site was once again targeted this weekend. Kyiv and Moscow accuse each other of being at the origin of these strikes. The International Atomic Energy Agency has denounced deliberate attacks and is asking for the establishment of a safety zone around the plant. However, discussions are still very difficult according to the IAEA.

In France, there are new compensation rules for unemployment insurance. They were presented today to the social partners by the Minister of Labor Olivier Dussopt. The government wishes to modulate the duration of the compensation depending on the situation of the job market. If the unemployment rate remains below 9% and there is no increase of more than 0.8 points over a quarter, then compensation will be reduced over time. The reform will be effective from February 1.

Emotion and sadness prevailed in Tonneins in the Lot et Garonne. A whole town is still in shock after the death of young Vanessa, the 14-year-old girl who was killed 3 days ago. A solemn march will be organized in her memory on Friday. In this case, the main suspect who is a 31-year-old man, confessed to investigators that he raped and killed the schoolgirl after kidnapping her. He is currently in prison.

And beware of heavy rainfall in the Pyrenees Atlantic. Météo France issued an orange weather alert for the department. This morning's rainfall will strengthen this evening and all night, with up to 90mm of precipitation expected along with a risk of flooding.

And then sailing, with the *Route du Rhum* and the victory of Thomas Ruyant in the Imoca category, these monohulls which take part in the Vendée Globe. The Northerner crossed the finish line this morning and broke the record for the category after reaching Guadeloupe from St Malo in 11 days and just over 17 hours.