



The News

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The SMIC will be slightly revalued. The minimum wage will increase by 1.13% on January 1, 2024, going from 11 euros and 52 cents gross per hour to 11 euros 65. This represents a little less than a 20-euro increase per month. This increase is significantly lower than what a group of experts on the minimum wage predicted at the end of November.

They had predicted an increase of 1.7% in the minimum wage at the start of 2024.

At the same time, inflation continues to slow in France. Prices increased by another 3 and a half percent year-on-year in November according to INSEE, against 4% in October. This is especially due to the “slowdown” in the rise in prices of energy and services.

The white plan is activated in hospitals in Alsace. The situation has been tense for several weeks due to the bronchiolitis epidemic and the return of the flu and covid 19. This white plan makes it possible to deprogram operations considered non-urgent.

And it's a tragic outcome: The body of a French hostage was found in the Gaza Strip by the Israeli army. Elya Toledano, a young 28-year-old man, was kidnapped with his friend Mia Schem on the sidelines of a music festival during the Hamas attack on October 7. Three French hostages still remain detained by the Palestinian armed group.

Europe will not provide financial aid to Ukraine. Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban vetoed support of 50 billion euros. Brussels, on the other hand, gave a first green light on the opening of negotiations for the accession of Kiev, but only 26 countries out of 27 voted for this proposition. Hungary opposed to the entry of Ukraine, in the end did not take part in the vote.

And back in France, 4 departments are still under flood alert in the southwest of France: Gironde, Dordogne, Charente and Charente Maritime. The water should continue to rise in the coming hours according to Meteo France.

And to finish: It's time for the semi-finals of the Women's Handball World Cup!!! France faces Sweden this evening. The match begins at 9 p.m. A little earlier, for the other semi-finals, Denmark faces Norway at 5:30 p.m.