



## The News

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Bruno Retailleau has made his candidacy for the presidency of the Républicains official in a letter sent to party members. *Le Figaro* cites that in the letter, the minister of the interior states that the right had previously been given up for dead and yet it is now regaining colour and vigour". Xavier Bertrand, the president of the Hauts-de-France region, has said that Bruno Retailleau would make a "very good" president of the Republicains.

Emmanuel Macron is headed to Marseille today with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. After yesterday's evening in Cassis, this morning the two leaders will be inaugurating the Indian Consulate General in Marseille's 8th arrondissement, before heading to the ITER site in Cadarache to visit the construction site of the international experimental nuclear fusion reactor.

Meanwhile, Emmanuel Macron has flagged that two million people live in Gaza and that the solution to the conflict is not a "real estate operation" but "a political operation". The president gave an interview to US broadcaster CNN yesterday in response to Donald Trump's claims that Gaza could become the "the Côte d'Azur of the Middle East".

The investigation into the murder of 11-year-old Louise in Essonne may have taken a decisive turn yesterday. The DNA of the young man taken into custody on Monday evening matches that found on the body of the schoolgirl. A press conference by the Evry public prosecutor is scheduled for later today.

And finally, is it time to plan your next trip by train, the national railway operator SNCF has now made sales available for tickets for the late spring season, which covers the Pentecost and Ascension holidays.