

# THE WEEK IN FRANCE

## MONDAY, March 17, 2014

- Paris: alternate driving days introduced due to air pollution, public transport remains free
- EU ministers in charge of foreign affairs meet in Brussels (Council meeting)

#### TUESDAY, March 18, 2014

- Trade unions call for strikes and manifestations against the responsibility pact and austerity
- Foreign minister Laurent Fabius and Defense minister Jean Yves Le Drian are expected in Moscow

#### WEDNESDAY, March 19, 2014

- Supreme Court to deliver its decision concerning the appeal of Société Générale extrader Jérôme Kerviel
- Confrontation of IMF's Christine Lagarde and her former chief of staff in front of the Law Court of the Republic
- Government meeting (10:00 CET)
- President Hollande meets President Kirchner of Argentina (13:00 CET)
- PM Ayrault presides over a meeting concerning the fiscal reform (13:00 CET)
- The Senate foreign affairs' committee organizes a debate ahead of the European Council – with Thierry Repentin, minister in charge of European affairs (15:00 CET)
- President Hollande meets representatives of judicial unions (15:00 and 17:00 CET)

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twitter.com/sooseszter facebook.com/franciapolitika  Mayoral candidate Nathalie Kosciusko-Morizet holds grand meeting in Paris (18:00 CET)

#### THURSDAY, March 20, 2014

- CGT calls for Air France strike, traffic disruptions are expected
- President Hollande meets representatives of the Bar (09:00 CET)
- PM Ayrault meets President Kirchner of Argentina (16:45 CET)
- European Council meeting in Brussels with President Hollande
- France 3, Ile-de-France: Paris mayoral candidates meet for a TV debate

## FRIDAY, March 21, 2014

- Labor activity and employment status data released by INSEE (4/2013) (08:45 CET)
- European Council meeting in Brussels with President Hollande
- "New industrial France" meeting presided over by PM Ayrault (10:30)

#### SATURDAY, March 22, 2014

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## SUNDAY, March 23, 2014

• First round of the municipal elections

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