

## RISING TEMPERATURES

# The rising heat line will reach its highest point over the course of Sunday

The Meteorological Service indicates that the feeling of suffocation is caused by climate change

Despite the speed of thawing in the mountains, there is no risk of flooding due to the flow of rivers

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The National Meteorological Service warns that by the end of this weekend, the country will experience the maximum temperature peak that will culminate in the rising heat that has been experienced throughout the week. In this sense, the meteorologist Guillem Martín explained that it is possible to see some clouds without significance, but this does not change the fact that «we are going through a cycle of variation of abnormally high temperatures in the course of a few days».

However, the meteorologist warned that, in the middle of next week, it is highly likely that there will be a drop in temperatures with various forms of precipitation that may even leave light snow at higher altitudes of the northern parishes. In fact, this is another example of the spring phenomena, which «fall within the normality of the con-

**The rate of melting snow at Sorteny Automatic Station is approximately 10 centimeters per day**

trasts that characterize this season of the year», but what is not its own is «the uncontrolled heat we are experiencing during these days» with an increase of six to seven degrees above average.

Following this line, Martín indicated that this suffocation «is due to the effect of climate change» and that it is noticeable, above all, «in extreme weather events». During the month of May, thermometers are competing to break records due to the heat caused by the influx of warm air from North Africa and the anticyclone effect with the conse-



►► Archive image of a sunny sky with small fragments of cloud.

quent high pressures. In fact, last Tuesday was the first day of the current year in which it exceeded 30 degrees in the Principality. Specifically, 30.1 degrees were recorded at the Borda Vidal weather station in Sant Julià de Lòria. However, the

Service noted that in 2015 there was still a previous date when a higher temperature was found. As for this summer's forecast, experts predict a warm and dry environment.

Also related to the uncontrolled rise of thermometers, the Meteorological

Service highlighted on social media the acceleration of the melting snow of the highest peaks in Andorra. In this sense, the Sorteny automatic station, located at 2,271 meters, recorded a melting rate of approximately 10 centime-



**Guillem Martín**  
METEOROLOGIST

«We are going through a cycle of changes in the normal climate for the spring season, but abnormally hot»

«If it started to rain uncontrollably all over the country, there could be episodes of flooding»

ters thick per day, with 158 at the beginning of the month and 76 at the end of the week.

Regarding the geological phenomena related to the climatology, Martín pointed out that «no risk of flooding is detected» in relation to the increase in flow caused by the increase in the speed of thawing. According to the service, the melting rate is 30 liters per cubic meter per day, which, in terms of extent, «does not mean a potential indication of overflow of water in inhabited areas», as the channels and surfaces of the rivers «are assimilating the growth of flow at a good rate». However, the meteorologist said that in the event that it began to rain uncontrollably across the country, «there would be a possibility of experiencing a risk scenario that would lead to episodes of flooding».

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FRENCH LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS

# Manuel Valls wants to be elected to strengthen his presence in the country

He will do the last campaign event in Andorra between the 5th and the 19th of June

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The candidate for La República En Marxa (LREM), Manuel Valls, states that he is running in the French legislative elections with the aim of strengthening his presence in the Principality. In this sense, Valls remarked that Andorra is a land «very close» to him, both because of his stay in the Pyrenees and his knowledge of the country and because of his close relationship with the French co-prince.

The candidate added that the main aim of these elections is to give a large majority to the party of Emmanuel Macron so that the French in this constituency and the residents of the Principality «have a powerful voice with the experience of a former minister so that they can reflect their concerns». Thus, Valls indicated that voters will be represented at the time of doubts or concerns that may arise in matters such as security, infrastructure, taxation or access to public services, among others.

On the other hand, the candidate highlighted his interest in the results of the second round of the French elections in Andorra, in which «Macron obtained 30% of



►► The candidate for La República En Marxa (LREM), Manuel Valls, during the event at the Suites Plaza Hotel & Wellness.



**MANUEL VALLS**  
CANDIDATE FOR LREM

«I want to give a powerful voice to the French people who live in the Principality so that they can reflect their concerns»

the votes, twice as many as Le Pen». In addition, he proclaimed himself the political figure who can win in the face of «melancholy», which represents «the break with Europe and NATO», at a time when it is more necessary than ever to be inside of a great alliance».

Following the same line, Valls emphasized his desire to take part in a time of «political change» without being a «mere spectator». In fact, he highlighted the historical relationship between Andorra and France and, after reviewing various existing agreements between the two countries, added that «this is a

new step in my career and in my dual culture».

As for the calendar of events of the candidate, tomorrow will continue the campaign in Portugal and then go through Monaco and return to Spain. The next meeting in the Principality will take place between June 5th and 19th to carry out the last act of presence in the constituency in front of the French residents in Andorra. During the month of September, if his candidacy succeeds, he announced that he will pay a visit to the Lycée Comte de Foix, and to some French companies based in the country. ≡

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

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►► A moment of the act.

## The OECC participates in the 4th symposium on climate change

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The Office of Energy and Climate Change participated yesterday in the round table on climate information agreements and cooperation in the framework of the 4th International Colloquium on Climate Change in Mountain Areas, organized in Bilbao by the Pyrenean Climate Change Observatory (OPCC).

At the round table, the technician of the National Meteorological Service, Molné, highlighted the effort that has been made to expand the network of automatic observations in high mountain stations over time and the importance of maintaining the long-term ones. During the debate, the importance of sharing climate data and treating them in a homogenized way in the Pyrenees, in order to be able to assess the climate trend in this territory, was highlighted. Thanks to this cooperation from the different regional and national meteorological services, the OPCC has created a new bulletin to analyze and assess climate impacts. ≡



MARICEL BLANCH

### DOLSA IS LEFT WITH 100% OF ANDORRANA DE PUBLICACIONS

Escaldes-Engordany ◊ The Dolsa family keeps 100% of Andorrana de Publicacions SA, owner of EL PERIÒDIC. This is part of the strategy to expand other media in the very near future. The president, Enric Dolsa, stated that «a new stage is beginning, which will be in favor of the citizens».

EVENTS

ARXIU ANA



►► The place on Tarragona Avenue where the events took place.

## Five years in prison for the death of Tarragona Avenue

The court dismisses the murder and opts for involuntary manslaughter

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The collision carried out by a driver on Tarragona Avenue, the result of an argument with another passenger, has already been ruled. The Court of Justice has sentenced the perpetrator to a total of five years' imprisonment for involuntary manslaughter instead of murder. Four of them will have to be carried out

firmly and the remaining year with the measures of the conditional. In this sense, the prosecution intended to charge the author with a total of 16 years in prison. However, the defense demanded seven months of pretrial detention as opposed to the prosecutor's sentence. It should be remembered that the events took place on the night of August 21st and 22nd, 2020 in the segment of the road on Tarragona Avenue located on the outskirts of the Andorra 2000 supermarket, where a brawl led to a collision in which a 50-year-old man lost his life. ≡