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NEWS EDITION

1. Andorra starts the vaccination campaign against covid-19

Let's start with health. Tomorrow, Monday November 2nd, Andorra launches the vaccination campaign against covid nineteen. The Ministry of Health directs it to people aged sixty or more and to younger people who have risk factors. Unlike a campaign limited to a few months, the vaccine will remain available throughout the year. At least three months must have passed since the last infection or dose against covid. The appointment must be made at the primary care center and, for those under sixty with risk factors, a prescription from the GP is required. Health remembers that it is not necessary to leave an interval between the covid vaccine and the flu or respiratory syncytial virus. Practical information matters: an advertised campaign only works if the people who need it know how to access it.

2. The teaching protest affects school camps in the Catalan Pyrenees

The second news takes us to the other side of the border, in the Catalan Pyrenees. The protest of teachers who have stopped organizing school camps is having economic consequences in snow-related activities. According to the figures attributed to Empresariat Cerdanya, cancellations reach sixty percent in certain accommodation and leisure companies, and school tourism agencies speak of drops close to eighty percent. These are estimates from the business sector, not an official count of all the reserves in the Pyrenees. The conflict has two sides that should not be confused: the teachers' claims about educational conditions and the distress of small businesses that depend on school holidays. It will be necessary to see if there is a negotiation before the high season arrives, and not automatically transfer these figures to Andorran tourism.

3. La Seu opens grants for self-employed people and entrepreneurs

And we close at Seu d'Urgell. The City Council has opened this first of November the deadline for a line of aid for self-employed people and entrepreneurs, with an announced allocation of ten thousand four hundred euros. Subsidies can reach one thousand two hundred euros for certain people who have started an activity after being unemployed, with supplements provided for young people and women, according to the conditions of the call. Applications can be submitted until November 30. It is not a general aid for any company or for businesses domiciled in Andorra: it affects activities that comply with the municipal bases of the Headquarters. The underlying debate is how to help small projects to be born and survive without turning subsidies into the only economic policy.