

Europe-United States: A New Deal?

Transatlantic Cooperation: Changing Context, New Actors

Transatlantic Policy Forum First Advocacy Event

Wednesday, 17 December 2008, 10am-5pm
Salons de la Maison des Arts et Métiers
9 bis, Avenue d'Iéna, Paris 16ème

Transatlantic Policy Forum

With Washington's EU-US summit in June 2009 rapidly approaching, European and American think tanks have created a "Transatlantic Forum" to produce and propose suggestions for a new partnership between the European Union and the United States.

After one year of work, the task force will present its first policy recommendations on **Wednesday, December 17, 2008** in Paris. This meeting will be the first in a series of similar exchanges to be held in the project's capital cities (Brussels, Prague, Stockholm, and Washington). The upcoming meeting in Paris will keep in mind contextual issues relating to the upcoming transition between the French and Czech presidencies of the European Union. This day will provide both speakers and attendees with the chance to express their points of view on the **"New Deal" in EU/US relations** harkened by the arrival of a new American administration and on the eve of important personnel changes in the European political community (European Commission and Parliament).

Four themes will be at the center of the day's reflections: energy security and climate change; EU-US cooperation in the EU neighborhood; WTO and other trade issues; and democracy assistance and promotion.

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Morning Session 10.00am – 1.00pm

Task Force Analyses and Recommendations

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Introduction “Transatlantic Policy Forum” Project Presentation

David Král, Director, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy,
Prague

What Kind of Cooperation for Common Challenges?

Analyses and recommendations of the task force

1. WTO and Trade Issues

Jean-Christophe Bureau, Agro Paris-Grignon, *Notre Europe*

Discussant: **Joe Guinan**, The German Marshall Fund of the US,
Brussels

Floor Discussion

2. EU-US Cooperation in the EU Neighbourhood

Vera Rihackova, Research Fellow, EUROPEUM Institute for
European Policy, Prague

Discussant: **Nida Gelazis**, Program Associate and Editor, East
European Studies, The Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington
Floor Discussion

3. Democracy Assistance and Promotion

John K. Glenn, Director of Foreign Policy, The German Marshall
Fund of the US, Washington

Discussant: **Luca Bader**, Executive director, Institute of European
Democrats, Brussels

Floor Discussion

4. Energy Security and Climate Change

William Siefken, Senior associate, Center for Strategic and
International Studies, Washington

Discussant: **Vaclav Bartuska**, Ambassador-at-large for energy
security, Prague

Floor Discussion

Afternoon Session 2.30pm- 5.00pm



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Introduction by the Presidencies of the Council of the European Union

Opening Remarks

Denis Simonneau, Director of Cabinet for the French Secretary of State for European Affairs

The forthcoming EU Presidency

Alexandr Vondra, Czech vice-Prime Minister for European Affairs

Summary and Recommendations from morning session

Roundtable: A New Transatlantic Political and Economic Deal?

Moderator:

Christian Lequesne, Senior Research Fellow, CERI - Sciences-Po

Speakers:

François Bayrou, President of the French Democratic Movement

Joachim Bitterlich, Executive Vice-president of Veolia

Environnement, Vice-president of *Notre Europe*

Laurent Cohen-Tanugi, Lawyer and essayist

Sandro Gozi, Member of the Italian Parliament

Seth Winnick, Minister Counsellor for Economic Affairs, Embassy of the United States, France

Floor discussion

Closing Remarks

Gunnar Lund, Ambassador, Embassy of Sweden, France

To participate, please send an email to Nadège Chambon, nchambon@notre-europe.eu and Edouard de Tinguy, edetinguy@gmfus.org, fax (+33-1-44-58-97-99 /+33-1-47-23-48-20) as soon as possible. As the number of participants is limited, we will apply a first-come-first-serve policy.