

TRANSATLANTIC POLICY NETWORK (TPN)

2025 EVENTS

07-Jan-25 TPN Visit to Washington DC

Included:

- The Honorable Jim Costa**
- The Honorable Darin LaHood**
- The Honorable Carol Miller**
- Alice Slayton-Clark**, Senior Vice President, Trade, Investment, and Digital Policy, USCIB
- Lisa Schroeter**, Global Director of Trade & Investment Policy, The Dow Chemical Company
- Walter Goetz**, Head of European Parliament Liaison Office in Washington DC

08-Jan-25 US Staffers Launch in Washington DC

Moderator: **Dan Nechita**, EU Director, Transatlantic Policy Network

29-Jan-25 TPN EP Group Meeting

Chair: **Pilar del Castillo Vera MEP**, European Parliament

19 Feb-25 Seminar : TPN/United States Council for International Business USCIB

Seeking Common Cause 2025: the Future of Transatlantic Relations

Purpose: to help business stakeholders understand key US and EU Trade policies for 2025.

Working with the Administrations and with the Parliament and Congress to maximise impacts.

Session 1 The Transatlantic Relationship in 2025: Same Challenges, New Realities

Moderator: **George Riddell**, Trade Strategy Director, Ernst & Young

Panellists:

- Amélie Coulet**, Senior Manager, Government and Regulatory Affairs, IBM Europe
- Anthony Gooch Gálvez**, Secretary General, European Roundtable of Industrialists (ERT)
- Claudia Selli**, Vice President European Union Government Affairs, AT&T
- Rupert Schlegelmilch**, Former Director, DG Trade, European Commission

Session 2 **Transatlantic Competitiveness: The Costs, Risks and Future of Regulation**
 Moderator: **Lisa Schroeter**, Global Director of Trade & Investment Policy, Dow Chemical Company
 Panellists: **Nick Lockhart**, Partner, Sidley Austin
 Eleonora Catella, Deputy Director of International Relations, BusinessEurope
 Sarah Lenczner, Senior Vice President Government Affairs EMEA, Qualcomm
 Jörn Fleck, Senior Director, European Center, Atlantic Council

Keynote/Fireside

Moderator: **Whitney Baird**, President and CEO of US Council for International Business (USCIB)
 Speaker: **Nicolás Pascual de la Parte MEP**, European Parliament

Session 3 **Competition vs Collaboration: What's Next on Digital**
 Moderator: **Thomas Spiller**, Vice President, Global Public Policy, The Walt Disney Company
 Panellists: **Hendrik Bourgeois**, Intel, Vice President Government Affairs Europe, Intel
 Jeffries Briginshaw, Senior Director and Head of EMEA Government Relations, NetApp
 Joël Guschker, Associate Director for International Affairs & Trade Policy, Digital Europe

Session 4 **How to Bridge US-EU Policies Toward China**
 Moderator: **Esa Kaunistola**, Director, Strategic Relations, Microsoft
 Panellists: **Stormy Mildner**, Executive Director, Aspen Institute, Germany
 Jamie Shea, Professor of Strategy and Security, University of Exeter
 Mayra Souza, Global Trade Director, International Flavors & Fragrances
 Dr. Olaf Wientzek, Director Multinational Development Policy Dialogue, Konrad Adenauer

26-Feb-25 TPN Board Meeting

25-Mar-25 TPN in-person Roundtable – Investing in Europe

Welcome: **Vivien Haig**, Board Member, Transatlantic Policy Network and Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council
 Speakers: **Carlos Abrams-Rivera**, Chief Executive Officer and Member of the Board of Directors at Kraft Heinz

26-Mar-25 TPN Virtual Roundtable on The Essential Proposals of the Draghi Report

Moderator: **Penny Naas**, Lead Allied Competitiveness Project, German Marshall Fund of the United States

Speaker: **Klaus Welle**, Chair of the Martens Centre Academic Council

27-Mar-25 TPN Roundtable: “Are Europe and the United States talking past each other in this moment?”

Moderator: **James Elles**, Chairman, Transatlantic Policy Network

Speakers: **Suzanne Lynch**, Global Playbook Author, Politico

Oscar Henquet, Director, Rudd Estate, Napa

31-Mar-25 TPN Visit to Washington DC

Included: **The Honorable Jim Costa**

The Honorable Carol Miller

Walter Goetz, Head of European Parliament Liaison Office

Ruth Bajada, Deputy Head of Mission, EU Delegation to Washington DC

Roundtable on TPN’s Report EU-US Partnership: Perspectives 2025-2028

Included: **Bergmann**, Director Europe Program, CSIS

Fran Burwell, Distinguished Fellow, Atlantic Council

Dan Mullaney, Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council

Penny Naas, Lead Allied Competitiveness Project, German Marshall Fund

Julianne Smith, former US Ambassador to Nato

Bruce Stokes, Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States bruceestokes@gmail.com

TPN Staffer Network

Included: **John Lynch**, Legislative Director for Congressman Jim Costa

Colby Harriman, Legislative Director for Congresswoman Dina Titus

Josh Bradley, Chief of Staff, Congressman Nathaniel Moran

Mark Erste, Foreign Policy Adviser, Congressman Darrell Issa

Kasey Condon, Legislative Assistant, Office of Congressman Ted Lieu

07-May-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Gavin Sundwall, Minister-Counselor for Public Affairs, US Mission to the EU

Theme: **The transatlantic relationship from a citizens' perspective**
 Chair: **Pilar de Castillo Vera MEP**, European Parliament
 Speaker: **Gavin Sundwall**, Minister-Counselor for Public Affairs, US Mission to the EU

14-May-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Bernard Hagège, President and CEO, Atemation

Theme: **'The Importance of SMEs to the Transatlantic Relationship'**
 Chair: **Edit Herczog**, Founder and Managing Director, Vision & Values
 Speaker: **Bernard Hagège**, President and CEO, Atemation

26 May-25 TPN in cooperation with the Bertelsmann Foundation

Theme: **'Lithium Rising - The Race for Critical Minerals'**
 Film Showing and Panel Discussion
 Moderator: **Samuel George**, Director of Documentaries, Bertelsmann Foundation
 Speaker: **Dragoș Tudorache**, Member of the Cabinet, Executive Vice President Stéphane Séjourné, European Commission

3-June-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of MEP Delegation to Washington DC

Theme: **Strengthening the Future of US-EU Trade Relations**
 Chair: **The Honorable Jim Costa**, US House of Representatives
 Introduction: **Everett Eissenstat**, Partner, Public Policy Practice Group, Squire Patton Boggs, and TPN Board Member
 EP Delegation: **Iratxe García Pérez MEP**, S&D President, European Parliament
Yannis Maniatis MEP, S&D Vice-President, Foreign Affairs, Security & Defence, International Energy Security and Cooperation
Kathleen Van Brempt MEP, S&D Vice-President, International Trade, Development, Global Sustainability & Enlargement

25-June-25 TPN Virtual Conversation: Economy and Trade – 'How can the EU and the US act to simplify regulation'

Speaker: **Sylvie Matelly**, Director, Delors Institute

09-July-25 TPN Virtual Conversation: TPN Staffers Network policy conversation: NATO and EU-US defense cooperation

Speaker: **Benedetta Berti**, Head of Policy Planning in the Office of the Secretary General at NATO

15 July-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Horacio Guterriez, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Legal and Compliance Officer, Walt Disney

Theme: AI is one of the most important topics in the creative economy today. In many ways, AI maybe the most powerful technology that the creative sector has ever seen, including its ability to enhance and enable consumers to access, experience and enjoy entertainment.

Moderator: **Dan Nechita**, EU Director, Transatlantic Policy Network (TPN)

Speaker: **Horacio Guterriez**, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Legal and Compliance Officer, Walt Disney

21-24 JULY – TPN’S SIGNATURE EVENT : TRANSATLANTIC WEEK 2025

“EU US PARTNERSHIP: PRIORITIES FOR JOINT ACTION TOWARDS 2030”

Venues: **Members Room and Whittall Pavilion, Library of Congress**

Sessions and speakers included:

Introductory Session: TPN Report: Transatlantic Vision 2030: Strengthening EU-US Partnership

Moderator: **James Elles**, Chairman, TPN

Speaker: **Bruce Stokes**, Executive Director, Transatlantic Task Force: German Marshall Fund of the United States and TPN Project Director

Session 1: Welcome Reception

Welcome: **Allison O'Brien**, Managing Director Government Affairs, Oracle

Matis Pellerin, Vice President, Global Government Affairs, Oracle

Speaker: **Jim Costa**, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Darrell Issa, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Session 2: Outlook for Transatlantic Partnership

Moderator: **Edit Herczog**, Chair of the Administrative Board, The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators

Speakers: **Jim Costa**, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Danuta Hübner, EU Honorary President, TPN and Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council

Session 3: Geostrategic threats to the West: how to counter them together?

Moderator: **Bart Szewczyk**, Advisor, European and Global Public Policy, Covington & Burling LLP

Speakers: **Don Bacon**, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Max Bergmann, Director, Europe, Russia, and Eurasia Program and Stuart Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

Ruth Bajada, Deputy Chief of Mission, Delegation of the EU to the US

Session 4: Defense of the West: how to strengthen Western security?

Moderator: **Julianne Smith**, Former US Ambassador to NATO

Speakers: **Brendan Boyle**, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Kira Rudik, MP for Holos and Vice President, ALDE

Kristen Verderame, VP Global Government Relations, NetApp

Session 6: How must the US and EU act to simplify regulation?

Moderator: **Thomas Spiller**, Vice President, Global Public Policy, The Walt Disney Company

Speakers: **Dan Mullaney**, Non-resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council, Former Assistant US Trade Representative for Europe and the Middle East

Roger Coelho, Senior Director of Policy, AmCham EU

Niels Junker Jacobsen, Minister Counsellor, Danish Embassy in Washington DC, EU Presidency Denmark

Session 7: How can Transatlantic productivity and investment be improved?

Moderator: **Penny Naas**, Lead, Allied Competitiveness Project, German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

Speakers: **Dorothee Schneider**, Head of Section, Economic and Trade, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany

Dina Kallay, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for International, Policy, and Appellate, US Dept of Justice's Antitrust Division

Mario Mueller, Director External Affairs Europe, Philip Morris International (PMI)

Ligia McEvoy, Director of Public Affairs in DC, AT&T

Session 8: Promoting Transatlantic business contacts

Moderator: **James Elles**, Chairman, TPN

Speakers: **Thomas Spiller**, Vice President, Global Public Policy, The Walt Disney Company

Alberto Zilio, Head of European Government Affairs, Ericsson and Co-Chairman TPN Business Group

Session 9: A special evening reception celebrating arts, culture, creativity, and AI innovation

Hosted by: **Karan Bhatia**, Vice President and Global Head, Government Affairs and Public Policy, Google

Speaker: **Ambassador Jovita Neliupšienė**, EU Ambassador to the US, Delegation of the EU to the US
Jim Costa, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives

Session 10: Digital Transformation: Current priorities for Transatlantic action

Moderator: **Combiz Abdolrahimi**, Vice President, ServiceNow

Speakers: **Juliana Koza**, Director, Government Affairs, Qualcomm
Behnaz Kibria, Director, Government Affairs & Public Policy, Cloud Product Initiatives, Google
Lasse Heidemann, Senior Director, Digital Europe
Matis Pellerin, Vice President, Global Government Affairs, Oracle

Session 11: Artificial intelligence and cybersecurity

Moderator: **Fran Burwell**, Distinguished Fellow, Atlantic Council

Speakers: **Ajit Jaokar**, Course Director and Fellow for Artificial Intelligence, University of Oxford and Advisor, European Internet Forum (EIF)
Darrell Issa, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives
Ted Lieu, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives
Chris Gow, Head of EU Public Policy, Cisco
Alberto Zilio, Head of European Government Affairs, Ericsson

Session 12: Food and energy security challenges ahead

Moderator: **Jörn Fleck**, Senior Director, Europe Center, Atlantic Council

Speakers: **Jim Costa**, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives
Ted McKinney, Chief Executive Officer,
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
Bill Behrens, Vice President,
Global Head of Government Affairs, Kraft Heinz Company
Mark Titterington, Director, Forum for the Future of Agriculture

Session 13: In conversation

Moderator: **Thomas Spiller**, Vice President, Global Public Policy, The Walt Disney Company

Speaker: **Ambassador Jovita Neliupšienė**, EU Ambassador to the US, Delegation of the European Union to the United States

Session 14: Priorities for the TPN Staffers Network

Moderator: **Dan Nechita**, EU Director, TPN

Speakers: **Ana Laca**, Assistant to Tonino Picula MEP
John Lynch, Legislative Director, Congressman Jim Costa
Gianluca Nigro, Legislative Director, Congressman Brendan Boyle
Emilia Ciara Plowiecki, APA, Marta Wcisło MEP
Abraham Velarde Gonzalez, APA, Pilar del Castillo MEP

Session 15: TLD: Its leadership role

Moderator: **Lisa Schroeter**, Global Director of Trade & Investment Policy, The Dow Chemical Company

Speakers: **Brando Benifei MEP**, European Parliament and Co-Chair TLD, and Steering Committee Member, European Internet Forum (EIF)
Nathaniel Moran, Member of Congress and Co-Chair TLD, US House of Representatives

Session 16: How could the US and the EU work together on trade?

Moderator: **Marta Poślad**, Director, Public Policy Central and Eastern Europe & Transatlantic, Google

Speakers: **Brando Benifei MEP**, Co-chair TLD, European Parliament and Steering Committee Member, European Internet Forum (EIF)
Donald Beyer Jr, Member of Congress, US House of Representatives
Everett Eissenstat, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP and TPN Board Member, Former Deputy Director of the National Economic Council and Deputy Assistant to the President for International Economic Affairs, President Trump's First Administration
Liam Benham, President of EU, NATO and Government Affairs Europe, Boeing International, and Chairman, AmCham EU

23-Sep-25 TPN Roundtable conversation on The Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive

Moderator Introductory Remarks:

Jan Ahlskog, Senior Adviser – Food, Industrials, Chemicals & Environment Head
of Finsbury International Policy & Regulatory Advisors (FIPRA)

30-Sep-25 TPN Roundtable – Brainstorming – Hosted by EU Co-Chairs of the TPN Business Group

“The importance of the Transatlantic Partnership and why it matters now more than ever”

Moderator and Opening Remarks:

Thomas Spiller, Vice President Global Public Policy, The Walt Disney Company

Introductory Remarks: **Alberto Zilio**, Head of European Government Affairs, Ericsson

Keynote Speaker: **Klaus Welle**, Chair of the Martens Centre Academic Council and
Advisor to Commissioner Andrius Kubilius, European Commission

01-Oct-25 TPN Roundtable in honor of Pat Casey, Co-Founder, Chief Technology Officer, and EVP of Dev Ops, ServiceNow

Moderator: **Dan Nechita**, EU Director, Transatlantic Policy Network (TPN)

Speaker: **Pat Casey**, Co-Founder, Chief Technology Officer, and EVP of Dev Ops, ServiceNow

27-29 Oct TPN Leadership Meetings with Members of Congress. Congressional Staff, Business participants and Organisations

Themes: **2025 Transatlantic Week Follow-up and plans for TPN’s 2026 Program**

TPN Team: **James Elles**, Chairman, Transatlantic Policy Network (TPN)

Thomas Spiller, Vice President, Global Public Policy, Europe, Middle East & Africa, The Walt Disney Company

Will Hea, US Director, Transatlantic Policy Network (TPN)

30-Oct-25 TPN Vision Project Core Group Meeting

Theme: **Next steps for TPN Vision Project**

Participants included: **Fran Burwell**, Distinguished Fellow, The Atlantic Council

Dan Mullaney, Non-resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council, Former Assistant US Trade Representative for Europe

Penny Naas, Lead Allied Competitiveness Project, German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)

Bruce Stokes, Visiting Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Board Member, Transatlantic Policy Network

05-Nov-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Daniel Bunn, Tax Foundation

Opening remarks on the G7 discussions focused on “*side-by-side*” negotiations for implementing the Pillar Two global minimum tax. The session will explore how governments and businesses can work together to ensure that the 15% global minimum tax is implemented effectively and transparently, supporting a level playing field across jurisdictions.

06-Nov-25 TPN Board Meeting**UPCOMING EVENTS:****02-Dec-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Jim Kohlenberger**, Co-chair, Trusted Future

"Interoperability, security, and innovation: finding the right balance for Europe."

03 Dec 25 Virtual conversation with Congressman Nathaniel Moran**09-Dec-25 TPN Roundtable in honour of Kira Rudik MP**, Ukrainian Parliament; Leader of “Holos” Party; and People’s Deputy of Ukraine