



MULTIPLE CHALLENGES FOR TRANSATLANTIC PARTNERSHIPS

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ABOUT THE EVENT

The project follows four previous ELF projects organized by ELF in cooperation with the IPPS and other member's organizations. This project will be focused on the relationship between the US and the EU – two key global partners – is going through a complicated period.

The discussion will be divided into several dimensions focusing on topics such as the partnership between the UK and the USA after Brexit. It will be very important to see how the agreements between the two great powers continue. Between the two continents, there is a threat of a trade war. Unusually sharp rhetoric has been used by both the European and the American sides. The current functioning of NATO and its future is at the centre of this tension. The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) – reached by Iran, China, France, Germany, Russia, the United Kingdom, the US and the European Union – sets out rigorous mechanisms for monitoring restrictions placed on Iran's nuclear programme, while paving the way for the lifting of UN sanctions against Iran.

EVENT SCHEDULE

12. 11. 2020

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome Speech

Jan Macháček, Chairman of the Board, Institute for Politics and Society (confirmed)

Šárka Prát, Member of the Board, European Liberal Forum (confirmed)/ **Hilde Vautmans**, President, European Liberal Forum (TBC)

10:10 – 10:40 Keynote Speech

Andrej Babiš, Prime Minister, Government of the Czech Republic (confirmed)

Věra Jourová, Vice President, European Commission (confirmed)

Dita Charanzová, Vice President, European Parliament (confirmed)

Hans van Baalen, President, Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (TBC)

Guy Verhofstad, Member, European Parliament (TBC)

10:40 – 11:55 Economic Dimension of Transatlantic Partnerships

Rebecca Christie, Visiting Fellow, Think-Tank Bruegel (confirmed)

Linda Zeilina, Founder & CEO, International Sustainable Finance Centre (confirmed)

Ondřej Kovařík, Member, European Parliament (confirmed)



Jan Švejnar, Director, Center on Global Economic Governance; Professor of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University (confirmed)

Andreas Freytag, Professor, University Friedrich Schiller Jena (confirmed)

Tom Nuttall, Berlin bureau chief, the Economist (TBC)

Moderator: Michala Hergetová, Moderator, Czech Television (confirmed)

11:55 – 13:10 Political Dimension of Transatlantic Partnerships

Karel Havlíček, Deputy Prime Minister, Government of the Czech Republic; Minister, Ministry of Industry and Trade; Minister, Ministry of Transport (confirmed)

Dita Charanzová, Vice President, European Parliament (confirmed)

Luca Fratini, Director of the Office of the Secretary General, OSCE (confirmed)

Sasha Toperich, Executive Vice President, The Transatlantic Leadership Network (confirmed)

Jitka Látal Znamenáčková, Deputy Head of the Czech Permanent Representation to the EU; Permanent Representative to the Political and Security Committee (confirmed)

Tomáš Petříček, Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (confirmed)

Katalin Cseh, Vice-Chair, Renew (TBC)

Moderator: Michala Hergetová, Moderator, Czech Television (confirmed)

13:10 - 14:25 Security Dimension of Transatlantic Partnerships

Petr Pavel, Former Chairman of the NATO Military Committee (confirmed)

Tomáš Pojar, Vice-President for International Relations and Security Expert, CEVRO Institute, Former Ambassador, Embassy of the Czech Republic in Israel (confirmed)

Susan Corke, Senior Fellow and Director, Transatlantic Democracy Working Group, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (confirmed)

Lauren Speranza, Director, Transatlantic Defense and Security, CEPA (confirmed)

Lubomír Metnar, Minister, Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic (TBC)

Hannah Thoburn, Professional Staff Member, U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Armed Services (TBC)

Stefanie Babst, Senior Associate Fellow, Chief Strategic Policy Analyst to the Secretary-General and Chairman of the Military Committee, NATO (TBC)

Moderator: Michala Hergetová, Moderator, Czech Television (confirmed)

14:25 – 14:30 Closing Remarks

Jan Macháček, Chairman of the Board, Institute for Politics and Society (confirmed)



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