

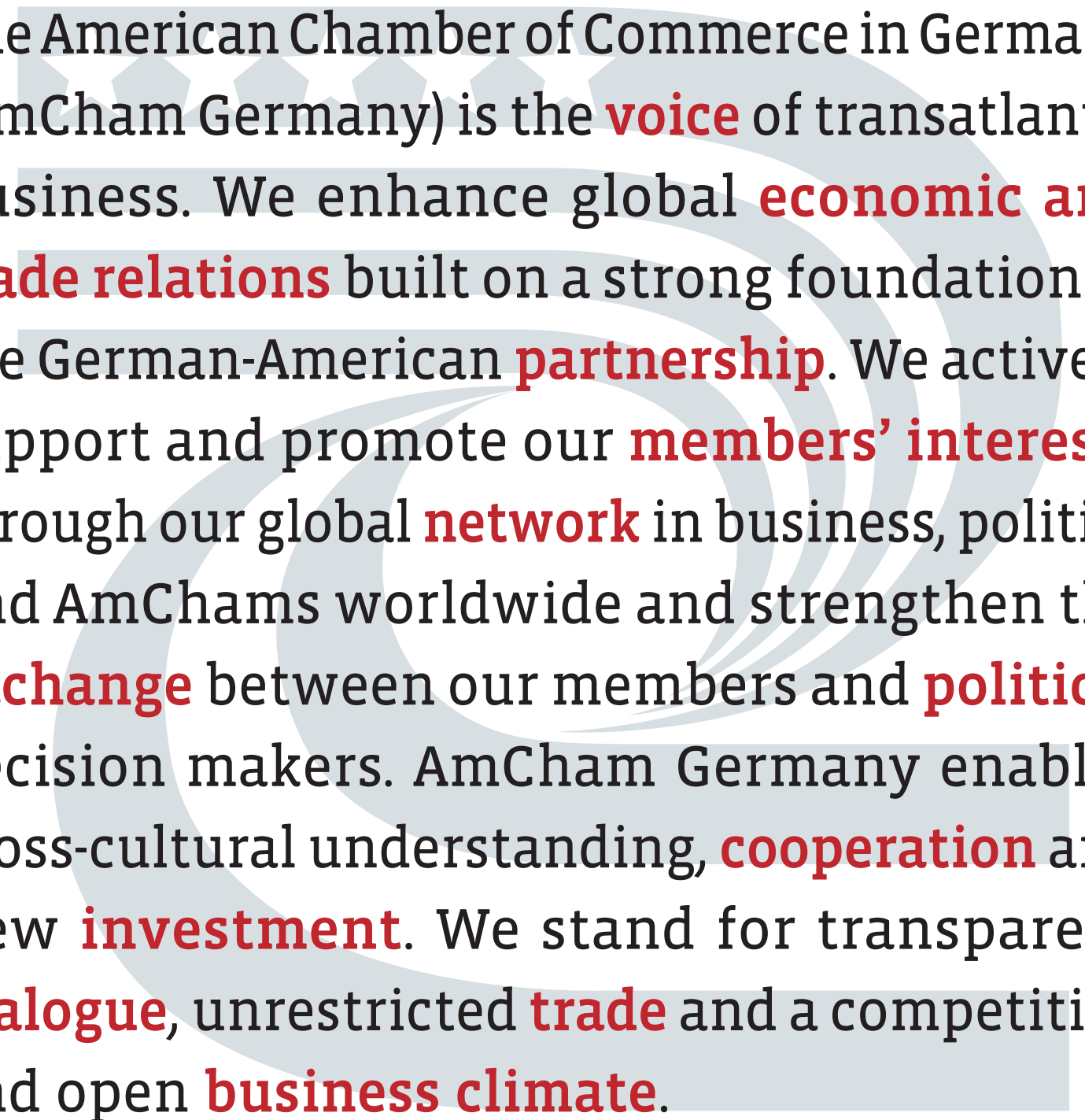
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Annual Report 2026





The American Chamber of Commerce in Germany (AmCham Germany) is the **voice** of transatlantic business. We enhance global **economic and trade relations** built on a strong foundation of the German-American **partnership**. We actively support and promote our **members' interests** through our global **network** in business, politics and AmChams worldwide and strengthen the **exchange** between our members and **political** decision makers. AmCham Germany enables cross-cultural understanding, **cooperation** and new **investment**. We stand for transparent **dialogue**, unrestricted **trade** and a competitive and open **business climate**.

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Preface

Dear Members,

This year marks the 250th anniversary of the United States – a historic milestone reflecting the enduring values of freedom, democracy, and opportunity that shape the transatlantic partnership. It also underscores the deep economic ties and shared responsibilities linking our nations. Together, the United States and Europe form one of the world’s most integrated markets, supporting millions of jobs and driving prosperity across the Atlantic.



Simone Menne
President

Simultaneously, recent developments have ushered a level of uncertainty that challenges long-standing assumptions. For this reason, our role – to connect, to engage, and to be credible advocates for transatlantic relations and European cohesion – is essential to our members and to our shared economic future.

Looking ahead, strengthening competitiveness requires a continued commitment to open investment and close cooperation in key strategic sectors. Transatlantic investment remains a key driver of economic growth, industrial resilience, and technological innovation on both sides of the Atlantic. In an increasingly uncertain global environment, efforts to strengthen national sovereignty must be balanced with recognition of the deep economic interdependence between the United States and Germany. Further escalation of differences must be avoided, as all partners would be weakened economically and strategically. We view with particular concern the growing intersection of foreign and security policy disagreements with economic policy decisions, especially regarding trade. Restrictions on free markets and fair competition jeopardize investment, employment, and trust—thereby hindering the growth upon we all urgently depend on.



Daniel Andrich
General Manager

Over the past year, AmCham Germany has navigated this complex environment while continuing to foster transatlantic dialogue. We hosted numerous high-level events bringing together leaders from business, politics, and civil society, reinforcing the value of exchange and cooperation in uncertain times.

A highlight event was the 19th Transatlantic Business Conference in Berlin, welcoming keynote speakers Governor Tim Walz and Chargé d’Affaires Alan Meltzer, and presenting the TOP 50/TOP 30 U.S. ranking and the Transatlantic Business Barometer. We look forward to the 20th anniversary of the Transatlantic Business Conference in November 2026.

At the start of the year, our New Year’s Receptions once again provided opportunities for exchange. As a partner of the Munich Security Conference, we co-hosted the U.S.–German Congressional Business Roundtable and a networking dinner for business leaders.

Preface

Through our NextGen Program, we continue to empower young professionals and introduce them to opportunities within AmCham Germany. Our Female Leaders' Platform provides a vibrant forum for women in leadership to connect within the transatlantic business community.

Our advocacy activities continue to drive a strong transatlantic agenda. We intensified dialogue with political decision-makers, including Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy Katherina Reiche and Coordinator of Transatlantic Cooperation Metin Hakverdi. Simultaneously, technological progress – from artificial intelligence to advanced manufacturing – continues to reshape industries and supply chains. We support policies that enable innovation and safeguard resilience and competitiveness.

During our Leadership Visit to Washington, D.C., despite the government shutdown, our delegation from our member companies met with key stakeholders. These included Jens Hanefeld, German Ambassador to the U.S., Embassy of Germany, Washington, D.C.; former members of Congress, and representatives of think tanks and the business community to gain insights into U.S. economic developments and trade policy under the current U.S. administration.

Our Regional Chapters and Policy Committees focused on key topics including trade, digitalization, energy, healthcare, tax, and defense. In doing so, we fostered constructive dialogue, convened business and policy leaders, addressed critical regulatory and trade challenges, and strengthened transatlantic competitiveness.

These achievements are made possible by the commitment of our members. Your engagement enables AmCham Germany to represent transatlantic business with impact. As the voice of transatlantic business, we remain committed to strengthening ties and building a resilient, forward-looking partnership. We thank our Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Policy and Regional Committee Chairpersons, and all members for their continued support and empowering the business community.

With sincere appreciation,



Simone Menne
President



Daniel Andrich
General Manager

Signature Events / Annual Membership Meeting

Review of AMM 2025

AmCham Germany hosted its 121st Annual Membership Meeting (AMM) in Frankfurt/ Main on May 27–28, 2025. Members of AmCham Germany convened to (re-)elect officers for their Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

The Business Conference featured keynote speeches by Chargé d’Affaires Alan Meltzer, U.S. Embassy Berlin; and State Secretary Karin Müller, State of Hesse; followed by a panel on Germany’s competitiveness and policy priorities in 2025. Speakers included Dr. Alexander Horn, Lilly Deutschland; Rory Sexton, Agile Robots; Astrid Teckentrup, Procter & Gamble Deutschland; Christina Raab, Accenture; and Armand Zorn, MdB, moderated by Gordon Repinski, POLITICO.

From left to right: U.S. Consul General Brian Heath, U.S. Consulate General Frankfurt; Chargé d’Affaires Alan Meltzer, U.S. Embassy in Berlin; AmCham Germany President Simone Menne, AmCham Germany General Manager Daniel Andrich.



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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2026

Platform for Exchange and Networking

Once a year, AmCham Germany’s members gather for the Annual Membership Meeting (AMM). The AMM brings together members and representatives from politics, media and the transatlantic business community, and offers a platform for interdisciplinary exchange and networking.

On May 18, 2026 the internal meetings of AmCham Germany’s Executive Committee, Board of Directors, as well as Chairpersons (Regional Chapter Chairs, Policy Committee Chairs, Senior Adviser) will take place. The day will conclude with the prestigious **Recognition Dinner**, an evening dedicated to celebrating excellence and strengthening the bonds of transatlantic cooperation. Paul Ryan, Vice Chairman, Teneo, and former speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives will be guest of honor and speaker.

The **Membership Meeting** will take place on the morning of May 19, 2026. It will include reports from AmCham Germany’s President, General Manager, as well as Treasurer on the development of the organization over the course of the past year. The membership

meeting also features the elections of Members of the Executive Committee and Directors of the Board.

In the afternoon, a half-day **Business Conference** will take place, offering insights from political and business leaders in various formats including keynote speeches, a panel discussion, and breakout sessions hosted by sponsors – all in an effort to actively foster discourse and best practice exchange on the most relevant transatlantic topics.

The first part of the conference will feature a keynote by Chargé d’Affaires Alan Meltzer.

The second part will focus on “Investment Conditions in Germany and the U.S. – Current Opportunities and Challenges.” It will open with a keynote by Michael Traub, Chairman of the Board of Management of STIHL AG.

Marcus Berret, Global Managing Director at Roland Berger will present the results of the 2026 Transatlantic Business Barometer Survey. This will be followed by a panel discussion on Germany and the U.S. as business and investment locations.

Signature Events / Annual Membership Meeting

Selected Speakers



Keynote speaker

Alan **Meltzer**
Chargé d'Affaires
U.S. Embassy Berlin



Keynote speaker

Michael **Traub**
CEO
STIHL AG



Keynote speaker

Dr. Nicole
Hoffmeister-Kraut
Minister of Economic
Affairs, Labour and
Tourism
State of
Baden-Württemberg



Béatrice **Bracklo**
Managing Director
Amazon Deutschland
Services GmbH
& Director Public
Policy DACH
Amazon Deutschland



Markus **Berret**
Global Managing
Director
Roland Berger



Markus **Lohrey**
Vice President
Corporate
Purchasing & Logistics
Mahle GmbH



Simone **Menne**
President
AmCham Germany

Panelists are

- Marcus **Berret**, Global Managing Director, Roland Berger;
- Béatrice **Bracklo**, Managing Director, Amazon Deutschland Services GmbH & Director Public Policy DACH, Amazon Deutschland;
- Dr. Markus **Lohrey**, Vice President Corporate Purchasing & Logistics, MAHLE GmbH

MODERATOR: Rixa **Fürsen**, Head of Podcast, **POLITICO Deutschland**

A session hosted by Platinum Sponsor KPMG will be offered in the afternoon.

The editorial deadline for this text was April 15, 2026.



Rixa **Fürsen**, Head of
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POLITICO Deutschland

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Signature Events / Transatlantic Business Conference

19th

TRANSATLANTIC BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Strengthening the Transatlantic Economy: AmCham Germany's 19th Transatlantic Business Conference Brought Leaders Together in Berlin

AmCham Germany's 19th Transatlantic Business Conference took place on November 20, 2025 in Berlin. Politicians, business leaders among AmCham Germany member companies, and other stakeholders came together to discuss how to further deepen transatlantic business relations by improving cooperation in fields, such as trade, digitalization and tech, energy, defense and taxation – a strategy essential to strengthening Germany's economy.

“By creating platforms for exchange, by advocating for a reliable and innovation-friendly business climate, and by connecting people and ideas across sectors, we strengthen the foundation on which transatlantic bridges can thrive.” On this note, our President Simone **Menne** opened the Transatlantic Business Conference.

In his keynote speech, Governor Tim **Walz** of the State of Minnesota, emphasized the importance of the transatlantic partnership

and the strong personal, business, and cultural ties between Germany, Minnesota, and the U.S.

In following, Marcus **Berret**, Global Managing Director, Roland Berger, unveiled the results of the Transatlantic Business Barometer. His presentation was followed by a panel discussion that explored current developments shaping transatlantic business and investment conditions.

In his keynote, Chargé d'Affaires Alan **Meltzer** from the U.S. Embassy in Berlin underscored the strong historical foundation serving as the cornerstone of U.S.–German relations and highlighted areas of continued economic cooperation between the two countries.

The conference concluded with an impulse by Dr. Tobias **Meyer**, CEO, DHL Group and Chairman, Transatlantic Business Initiative, followed by a corresponding panel discussion on the state and future of the transatlantic partnership.



From left to right: Daniel **Andrich**; Simone **Menne**; Governor Tim **Walz**; Jeff **Bullwinkel**; David **Knower**; Christin **Schack**; and Mario **Federico**.



Governor Tim **Walz** of the State of Minnesota.



From left to right: Simone **Menne**; Chargé d'Affaires Alan **Meltzer**, David **Knower**; and Dr. Tobias **Meyer**.

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19th TRANSATLANTIC
BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Two **panel discussions** complemented the conference, centering on the attractiveness of Germany as a business location as well as the potential of deepened transatlantic cooperation.



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The presentation of the Transatlantic Business Barometer was followed by a panel discussion on current developments shaping transatlantic business and investment conditions. Pictured from left to right: moderator Gordon **Repinski**, Executive Editor Germany, POLITICO; Marcus **Berret**, Global Managing Director, Roland Berger; Jeff **Bullwinkel**, Vice President & Deputy General Counsel, Corporate, External and Legal Affairs, Microsoft EMEA; Prof. Dr. Luise **Hölscher**, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Digitalization and Government Modernization; Dr. Katja **Scharpwinkel**, Member of the Board of Executive Directors, BASF SE.



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Panel discussion on the state and future of the transatlantic partnership (pictured from left to right): Dr. Tobias **Endler** (moderator); Dr. Tobias **Meyer**, CEO, DHL Group and Chairman, Transatlantic Business Initiative; Christopher **Adams**, Senior Advisor, Covington & Burling LLP; Konrad **Bauer**, Senior Vice President, Global Business Services, Thermo Fisher Scientific; Walter **Sinn**, Chairman Germany & Austria, Bain & Company; Dr. Thomas **Steffen**, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy.

Christina **Raab**,
Market Unit Lead
ASG, Accenture
Germany, discussing
key findings from the
TOP 30/50 rankings
of U.S. companies in
Germany.



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ABOUT THE EVENT

AmCham Germany's **Transatlantic Business Conference** is an annual forum to engage in constructive dialogue and foster transatlantic collaboration on issues of relevance for both Europe and the U.S. It provides a platform for exchange for our members and top-level speakers from business, government, media, and think tanks.

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BUSINESS CONFERENCE
November 5, 2026
Berlin

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19th TRANSATLANTIC BUSINESS CONFERENCE

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Three **breakout sessions** hosted by AmCham Germany member companies and sponsors of the Transatlantic Business Conference rounded up the conference:

1. “Between Silicon Valley and Mechanical Engineering – The Future of Industry and the Key to Germany’s Competitiveness?” (by **Agile Robots**);
2. “Shifting EU Security Strategies under the Donald J. Trump Presidency: Reimagining Transatlantic Defense” (by **POLITICO**);
3. “Ventures without Borders: The Power of International Startups” (by **Plug and Play**).



- 1 Elmar **Mair**, Agile Robots; Sven **Parusel**, Agile Robots; Ludwig **von Reiche**, NVIDIA; Sebastian **Busche**, Microsoft; Lars **Zimmermann**, Gov.Tech.
- 2 Chrystal **Papi**, POLITICO Research & Analysis Division; Dr. Ivo **Bantel**, POLITICO Research & Analysis Division.
- 3 Dr. Philipp **Gneiting**, Partner & Managing Director, Plug and Play.

MORE INFO >>

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RESULTS – BUSINESS CLIMATE AND OUTLOOK

On the occasion of the Transatlantic Business Conference, the results of the **Transatlantic Business Barometer 2025** were published. It is an exclusive survey among U.S. investors in Germany and German investors in the U.S.

The most important investment factors in Germany and the U.S. include political reliability and future-oriented, stable conditions for business and industry.



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Signature Events / Transatlantic Partnership Award



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During the Award Ceremony (from left to right): David **Knower**, Cerberus; Dr. Nico **Raabe**, McKinsey & Company; Simone **Menne**, AmCham Germany; Ola **Källenius**, Awardee; Christian **Sewing**, CEO, Deutsche Bank and laudatory speaker; Christina **Raab**; Accenture; Markus **Weiß**, McDonald's Deutschland LLC, and Gordon **Repinski**.

Transatlantic Partnership Award Presented to Ola Källenius

AmCham Germany celebrated the 2025 Transatlantic Partnership Award (TAPA) ceremony, honoring Ola Källenius, CEO of Mercedes-Benz Group AG and Mercedes-Benz AG, for his outstanding personal commitment to the multi-faceted transatlantic relations in the business world and beyond. The award ceremony was held during an exclusive gala reception in Frankfurt am Main on the eve of the Annual Membership Meeting on May 27, 2025.

The transatlantic partnership has been contested in recent months. “However, business in particular is now the proverbial rock on both sides of the Atlantic. This unique and closely interlinked economic area, to which more than 16 million jobs on both sides are directly or indirectly linked, the long-standing trade ties and the billions in investments are the foundation for growth, prosperity and stability in the U.S. and Europe. Ola Källenius exemplifies this as a successful top manager and transatlantic global citizen,” underscored Simone **Menne**, President of AmCham Germany and Chair of the TAPA Jury.

Ola **Källenius** and Mercedes-Benz will continue along this path: “The U.S. is like a home away from home for Mercedes-Benz – and this makes our transatlantic business environment really special. We see incredible opportunity in the U.S. and we’re committed to driving even more growth and success through continued investment.”

The laudatory speech at the Transatlantic Partnership Award Ceremony 2025 was held by Christian **Sewing**, CEO of Deutsche Bank.



ABOUT THE AWARD

Since 1987, the American Chamber of Commerce in Germany e.V. has presented the prestigious Transatlantic Partnership Award (TAPA) in recognition of the commitment of outstanding individuals and organizations, who actively contribute to the positive shaping of transatlantic relations, especially German-American economic relations. The award is presented to individuals or institutions from business, politics, science and culture from the United States and Germany.

THE TAPA JURY 2025

Simone **Menne**, President, AmCham Germany (Jury Chair)

Mario **Federico**, President and Managing Director, McDonald's Deutschland LLC

David **Knower**, Managing Director and Partner, Cerberus Deutschland Beteiligungsberatung GmbH

Christina **Raab**, Market Unit Lead ASG, Accenture GmbH

Dr. Nico **Raabe**, Partner, McKinsey & Company

Gordon **Repinski**, Executive Editor, POLITICO Germany

Signature Events / Female Founders Award



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FEMALE FOUNDERS AWARD

June 10, 2026
Munich

Female Founders Award 2026

“Female founders help reshaping the economy – and they deserve the spotlight. At P&G, we know that bold ideas and diverse leadership drive real impact. That’s why I’m proud to support the AmCham Germany Female Founder Award: because visibility transforms impact.”

(A. Teckentrup)

AmCham Germany will present its Female Founders Award for the seventh time on June 10, 2026 in Munich. Two female (co-)founders will receive the award to celebrate and honor their achievements and to empower them by increasing their visibility and extending their network. They serve as an inspiration and motivation for other women across Germany to become entrepreneurs.

Launched in 2019 by AmCham Germany, the Female Founders Award aims to set an example and honor successful female founders as positive role models, as women are still a minority in the start-up ecosystem on both sides of the Atlantic. We especially encourage female talent operating in the fields of technology, electronics, engineering, or other branches commonly underrepresented by women to apply.



FEMALE FOUNDERS AWARD

2026

ABOUT THE AWARD

AmCham Germany’s Female Founders Award promotes and empowers female (co-) founders in their visibility and networking while inspiring and motivating women to become entrepreneurs. The award brings together the values of the American entrepreneurial spirit and German entrepreneurship as well as the activities of AmCham Germany in the context of entrepreneurship and women in leadership.

THE INDEPENDENT JURY 2026:

- Nadine **Bütow**, Head of Communications Europe, LONGi Solar; Member of Digital Media Women e.V.
- Marie-Christine **Doescher**, Director, AlixPartners
- Gabriele **Hässig**, Managing Director Communications & Sustainability, Procter & Gamble Germany GmbH; AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Rhine-Main
- Xenia **Scholl**, Co-Founder & COO, Aitonomi AG (TeleRetail) & Female Founders Award Recipient 2019
- Andreas **Schwaiger**, Vice President, Managing Director Germany, Texas Instruments Deutschland GmbH; AmCham Germany Executive Vice President



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Astrid **Teckentrup**
Senior Vice President
Procter & Gamble DACH

Signature Events / Female Leaders Platform



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With the Female Leaders Platform, AmCham Germany provides a forum for exchange and high-level networking for the winners of the Female Founders Award and other high-ranking female leaders and founders among AmCham Germany's membership.

May 28, 2025 Female Leaders Platform Lunch and Exchange, Frankfurt

SPEAKERS: Simone Menne, President AmCham Germany; Christin Schack, Vice President & Managing Director Central Europe Region, 3M Deutschland GmbH

MODERATOR: Constanze Freienstein, Partner, AlixPartners

TOPIC: The Future of Leadership in a Transforming Global Order

November 20, 2025 Female Leaders Platform Lunch and Exchange, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: Simone Menne, President AmCham Germany; Claudia Donzelmann, Global Head of Regulatory and Political Affairs at Allianz SE

MODERATOR: Constanze Freienstein, Partner, AlixPartners

TOPIC: Leadership in Times of Uncertainty: How to Prepare for the Unknown in a Fractured Globalized World.

1 During the Female Leaders Platform Exchange at the Transatlantic Business Conference.

2 Christin Schack during the Female Leaders Platform Lunch at the Annual Membership Meeting.

3 Constanze Freienstein during the Female Leaders Platform Lunch at the Annual Membership Meeting.

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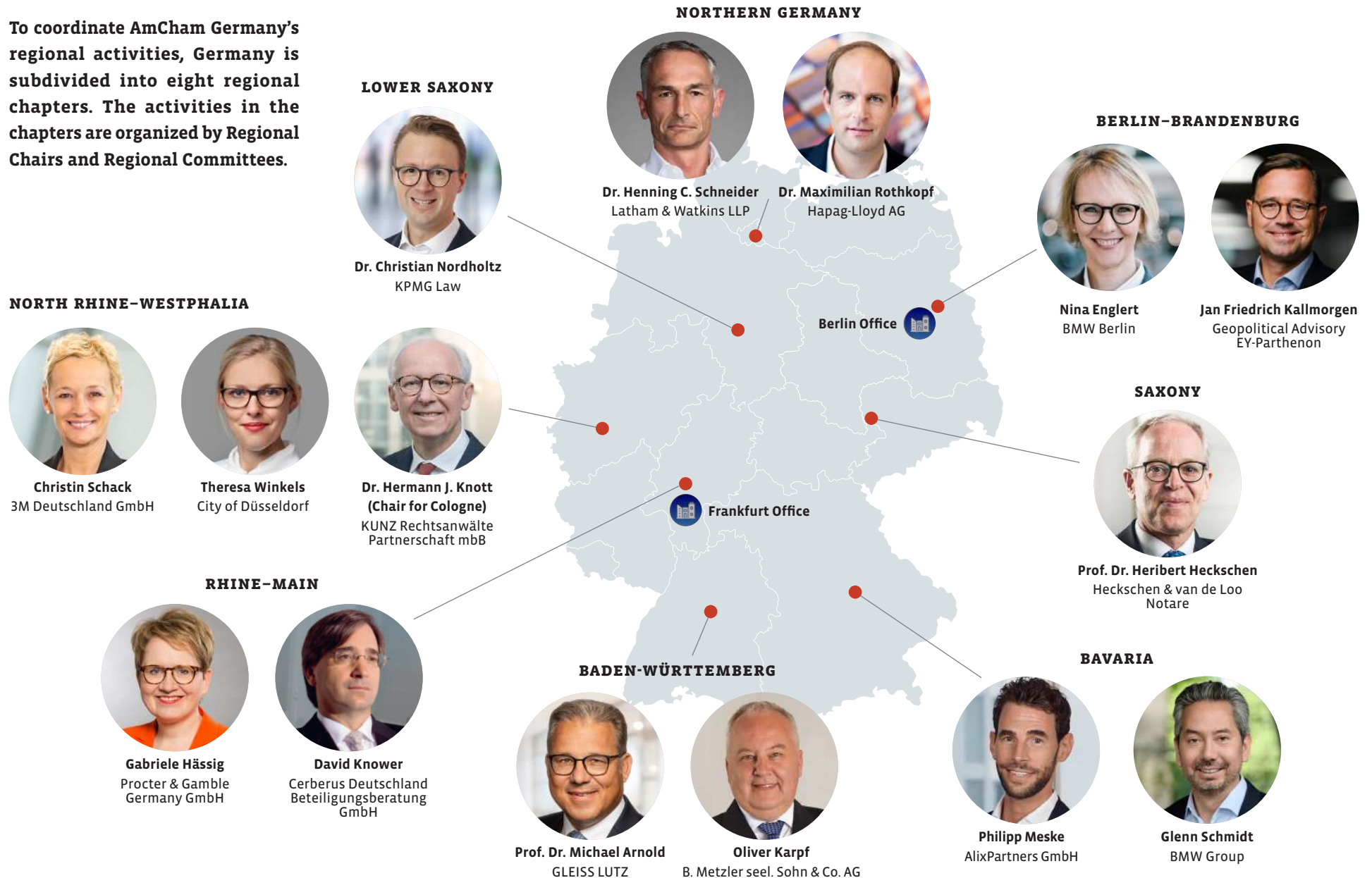


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AmCham Germany Regional Chapters and Chairs

as of May 2026

To coordinate AmCham Germany's regional activities, Germany is subdivided into eight regional chapters. The activities in the chapters are organized by Regional Chairs and Regional Committees.



Events / Year in Review May 2025 until May 2026

AmCham Germany offers a wide range of high-caliber events where representatives from business, government and civil society discuss the most pressing issues impacting transatlantic trade and investment.

Here is a summary of our event highlights of the past year.

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June 4, 2025 Summer Talk 2025, Bavaria

SPEAKER: Cathryn Clüver **Ashbrook**, Senior Advisor, Bertelsmann Stiftung

TOPIC: Die transatlantische Wirtschaftskooperation nach den Wahlen: Handelspolitische Chancen und Herausforderungen zwischen Deutschland, Europa und den USA
Event cooperation of the Regional Chapter Bavaria and Vereinigung der Bayerischen Wirtschaft (vbw Bezirksgruppe Mittelfranken)

From left to right: Claudia **Donzelmann**; Allianz, then Chair, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Bavaria; Fatma Taşan **Cebeci**, Consul General of the Republic of Türkiye in Nuremberg; Cathryn Clüver **Ashbrook**; Harald **Hubert**, Chairman of the vbw Bezirksgruppe Mittelfranken.



June 11, 2025 Dinner Discussion, Saxony

SPEAKERS: André **Hofmann**, CEO, leap:up GmbH; Jens **Junker**, CEO, ROTOP Pharmaka GmbH; Andrew **Varghese**, President, ROTOP Pharma USA; Prof. Dr. Heribert **Heckschen**, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Saxony
TOPIC: Radiopharmacy in Dresden: New Opportunities for Transatlantic Cooperation

From left to right: André **Hofmann**, CEO, leap:up; Prof. Dr. Heribert **Heckschen**, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Saxony; Andrew **Varghese**, President, ROTOP Pharma USA; Jens **Junker**, CEO, ROTOP Pharmaka GmbH; Inke **Reuter**, KPMG Law; Dr. Matthias **Aldejohann**, KPMG Law.



May 19, 2025 Business After Hours, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKER: Irene **Selvanathan**, Founder & CEO, NEUROSPACE (Female Founders Award Recipient 2023)

TOPIC: Insight into the activities of Neurospace, a leading NewSpace startup in Berlin



June 11, 2025 Business After Hours, Rhein Main

SPEAKER: Peter **Gerber**, CEO, Condor Flugdienst GmbH
TOPIC: The Strategic Role of Political and Economic Factors in the Airline Industry

Pictured: Peter **Gerber**, Condor.

Events / Year in Review



Picture: Participants of the Business After Hours Event.

June 25, 2025 Business After Hours, Cologne (Burbach)

Company visit and discussion at Dynamit Nobel Defence GmbH

SPEAKERS: Jens **Beimforde**, Vice President Sales & Business Development, DND; Sebastian **Bent**, Director Business Development North America, DND; Dr. Hermann **Knott**, Chair Cologne, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia

TOPIC: Die Zukunft der Verteidigungsindustrie – Was ändert sich in der transatlantischen Partnerschaft?

July 24, 2025

Event Cooperation, Bavaria

SPEAKER: Dr. Meike **Zwingenberger**, Executive Director, Stiftung Bayerisches Amerikahaus – Bavarian Center for Transatlantic Relations

TOPIC: America in Munich – Then and Now

The event combined a walking tour and an after-hours gathering that highlighted both the historical and contemporary dimensions of transatlantic relations in the Bavarian capital.



From left to right: Dr. Julius **Tsai**, Chief of Public Diplomacy, U.S. Consulate General in Munich; Dr. Maren **Roth**, Amerika-Institut Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich (LMU); Alexandra **Schenke**, Amerika-Institut Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich (LMU); Andreas **Schwaiger**, Texas Instruments.

The guided city tour included stops at the Haus der Kunst, the U.S. Consulate General Munich, the Villa Kaulbach, the Amerika-Institut at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich (LMU) and the Amerikahaus.



July 2, 2025 Executive Roundtable, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKER: Dr. Ulrich **Stephan**, Chief Investment Officer, Deutsche Bank AG

TOPIC: The Transatlantic Economy – Let's Talk Facts

From left to right: Oliver **Karpf**, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Baden-Württemberg; Dr. Ulrich **Stephan**; Lars **Gehner**, both Deutsche Bank AG; Prof. Dr. Michael **Arnold**, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Baden-Württemberg; Christopher **Gleffe**, MAHLE International GmbH.

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July 1, 2025 Independence Day Celebration, Rhine-Main

SPEAKERS: Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany; Gabriele Hässig and David Knower, AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Chairs of Rhine-Main; U.S. Consul General Brian Heath, U.S. Consulate General Frankfurt.

From left to right: Gabriele Hässig, Chair, Regional Chapter Rhine-Main; Simone Menne; U.S. Consul General Brian Heath; David Knower Chair, Regional Chapter Rhine-Main.



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August 28, 2025 International Summer Business Barbecue, Saxony

SPEAKERS: U.S. Consul General John R. Crosby, U.S. Consulate General Leipzig; Dr. Andreas Handschuh, Chief of the State Chancellery and State Secretary for Federal and European Affairs, Free State of Saxony, Sächsische Staatskanzlei; Oliver Schenk, MEP, European Parliament.

First row from left to right: Oliver Schenk, MEP; Susann Philipp, Forvis Mazars; U.S. Consul General John R. Crosby; Anja Schulze, ROTOP Pharmaka; Thomas Horn, Saxony Trade & Invest; Dr. Robin Richter, BELCHEM

Second row from left to right: Dr. Andreas Handschuh; Daniel Andrich; Prof. Dr. Heribert Heckschen, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Saxony; Eric Istel, Nexia; Harald Robel, General Atomics Europe; Thomas Göring, BW-Bank.



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August 28, 2025 Summer Barbecue, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKERS: Jane Bocklage, Acting Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Berlin; Christin Schack, Regional Chapter Chair North Rhine-Westphalia; and U.S. Consul General Preeti V. Shah, U.S. Consulate General Düsseldorf.

Thank you to the Mönchengladbach Blackcaps and Düsseldorf Senators for bringing baseball to life with passion and skill.
Thank you to the ISR Jazz Band for adding a festive atmosphere to the event.

From left to right: Mönchengladbach Blackcaps and Düsseldorf Senators; Jane Bocklage; U.S. Consul General Preeti V. Shah; Christin Schack; ISR Jazz Band players.

Summer 2025

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Picture: Participants of the Business After Hours Event during the pre-game field visit.

August 17, 2025 Business After Hours, Rhine-Main

SPEAKERS: Mike Wahle; Rick Striano, both representing Frankfurt Galaxy; and David Knower, Vice President AmCham Germany and AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Rhine-Main

Thank you to our event host Frankfurt Galaxy.

TOPIC: Transatlantic Touchdowns: Navigating the Challenges of Localizing American Football in Germany



From left to right: Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf; Prof. Dr. Burkhard Schwenker; Simone Menne; Dr. Henning Schneider.

September 1, 2025 Business After Hours, Northern Germany

SPEAKERS: Prof. Dr. Burkhard Schwenker, former CEO/Chairman of Roland Berger, longtime member of the board of the Atlantic-Brigde, Chairman of the Zeit-Foundation and member of several Supervisory Boards; Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany; Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf, AmCham Germany Chair for Northern Germany; Chief Operating Officer, Hapag-Lloyd AG

TOPIC: A World in Change: Scenarios on Manageable Solutions for Transatlantic Challenges

New Regional Chair for Northern Germany

As part of the event, Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany, introduced Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf, COO, Hapag-Lloyd AG, as the new Regional Chair for Northern Germany.



September 11, 2025 Executive Roundtable, Rhine-Main

SPEAKER: Paul Atkins, Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
TOPIC: Developments in Financial Markets and Capital Regulation in the EU and the U.S.

From left to right: Daniel Andrich, General Manager of AmCham Germany; Paul Atkins; Davin Knower, AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Chair of Rhine-Main.

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One of the evening's highlights was a live demonstration of TeamViewer's Augmented Reality (AR) workflows.

September 18, 2025 Business After Hours, Bavaria

SPEAKERS: Oliver Steil, CEO, TeamViewer; and Philipp Meske, AmCham Germany Chair, Regional Chapter Bavaria
TOPIC: Innovation & Regulation in the Transatlantic Tech Environment



Secretaries of State Delegation and members of AmCham Germany.

September 15, 2025 Business Lunch & Exchange, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: High-ranking members of the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS), the oldest, nonpartisan professional organization for public officials in the U.S. The delegation consisted of several U.S. Secretaries of State, who, as chief election officials in their states, are responsible for conducting secure, free, and fair elections. They are among the highest-ranking officials at the state level in the U.S.
 The event was hosted by our member **K&L Gates** in cooperation with the **German Federal Foreign Office** and **Aspen Institute Germany**.
TOPICS: Election security and the state of democracy, current business and investment conditions on both sides of the Atlantic



The event was held at the UPS Integrad driver training center, located near the Cologne/Bonn airport where UPS operates its largest Air Hub outside the U.S..

September 24, 2025 Business After Hours, North Rhine-Westphalia (Cologne)

SPEAKERS: Hermann Knott, Chair, AmCham Germany Regional Committee Cologne, Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia; Christin Schack, Vice President & Managing Director Central Europe, 3M; Anna Wilcke, Marketing Director for Germany, Austria and Switzerland, UPS
TOPIC: The New US Economic Policy Agenda – What Does It Mean for Globally Active U.S. Business Enterprises?



September 22, 2025 Fall Concert, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKERS: Arnd Franz, MAHLE International GmbH; Pianist Pavlos Hatzopoulos; Oliver Karpf, Chair, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Baden-Württemberg; Christian Kellermann, Mercedes-AMG; Knut Schiedmayer, Steinway Retail Deutschland GmbH
TOPIC: Culture meets Business – Fall Concert with AmCham Germany Member Pavlos Hatzopoulos at MAHLE International GmbH

← (from left to right): Knut Schiedmayer, Steinway Retail Deutschland GmbH; Christopher Gleffe, MAHLE International GmbH; Pavlos Hatzopoulos; Oliver Karpf; Andreas Keim, EY
 → Arnd Franz, MAHLE International GmbH



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October 7, 2025 Business After Hours, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKER: Roland Bleinroth, Managing Director of Messe Stuttgart
TOPIC: The State and Future of the Trade Fair Industry. Insights Briefing and Visit to Landesmesse Stuttgart



October 8, 2025 Business After Hours, Northern Germany

SPEAKERS: Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany; Susanne Gellert, President & CEO, German American Chamber of Commerce, New York, and Stefan Matz, Director of International Investments, Hamburg Invest.
Event Cooperation with Handelskammer Hamburg and HIW Hamburg Invest, Wirtschaftsförderungsgesellschaft mbH
TOPIC: Transatlantic Relations, Germany as a Business Location, and the U.S. Market

From left to right: Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf, AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Chair Northern Germany; Simone Menne; Lilian Krause, Handelskammer Hamburg; Susanne Gellert; Dr. Henning Schneider, AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Chair Northern Germany.



September 26, 2025 Business Lunch & Exchange, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: Michael Sullivan, Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs, and Nathan Seifert, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs, U.S. Embassy Berlin
TOPIC: Current Topics in Transatlantic Business

New Regional Chairs for Berlin-Brandenburg

As part of the event, Daniel Andrich, AmCham Germany, bid farewell to Aylin Tüzel, who served together with Prof. Dr. Thorsten Oltmanns as Chair Regional Chapter Berlin-Brandenburg.

Nina Englert, BMW; and Jan Friedrich Kallmorgen, EY, are the current Regional Chairs for Berlin-Brandenburg.

From left to right: Anna Kley, Lilly Deutschland GmbH; Daniel Andrich, AmCham Germany; Robert Fuegert, Burgermeister Holding GmbH; Daniel Pitzer, Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH; Nathan Seifert, U.S. Embassy Berlin; Lars Purkarthofer, UPS Germany; Michael Sullivan, U.S. Embassy Berlin; Jan Friedrich Kallmorgen, Ernst & Young GmbH; Jim Monroe, Monroe Atlantic GmbH; Aylin Tüzel, Pfizer Pharma GmbH; Armin Sedlmayr, Diehl Stiftung & Co. KG; Michael Layne, U.S. Embassy Berlin; Miguel Hernández, U.S. Embassy Berlin.



October 9, 2025 AmCham Germany @herCAREER Expo 2025

SPEAKERS: Julia Römer, Co-Founder & CEO, Coolair UG (Female Founders Award 2025); Dr. Christina Linke, Co-Founder & CEO, Clean Ocean Coatings GmbH; Dr. med. univ. Fidelis Stuchtey, Sales & Culture Manager, The Landbanking Group GmbH.
MODERATOR: Shelley Cantrick, Vice President, Deutsche Bank AG

TOPIC: Driving Systemic Change: Entrepreneurial Impact for a Sustainable Economy

Picture: The panel.

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October 15, 2025 Business After Hours, Bavaria

SPEAKERS: Veronika Rost, CEO of Philip Morris Germany; Philipp Meske, Partner, AlixPartners GmbH and AmCham Germany Chair, Regional Chapter Bavaria.

TOPIC: Industry Transformation in Practice: Navigating Regulation, Innovation, and Transatlantic Trade

Picture: Veronika Flora Rost, Managing Director of Philip Morris Germany; Philipp Meske and Dr. Alexander K. Nussbaum, Manager Scientific & Medical Affairs Philip Morris



October 24, 2025 Business Breakfast and Discussion, North Rhine Westphalia

SPEAKERS: Wulf-Christian Ehrich, Deputy Managing Director, IHK Dortmund; Andreas Glunz, Head of International Business, KPMG, Benedikt Scholz, Director for Internationalization & Commercial Partnerships Borussia Dortmund.

TOPIC: Between Steel Mills and Silicon Valley: What do German Businesses Need to do differently in the U.S.?

From left to right: René Kraus, KPMG; Wulf-Christian Ehrich, IHK Dortmund; Andreas Glunz, KPMG; Annika Bahl, Wilo Group; Waqaas Rehman, InstaDeep; Benedikt Scholz, Borussia Dortmund; Thomas Henneberg, AmCham Germany.

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October 28, 2025 Event Cooperation, Cologne

SPEAKERS: Prof. Dr. Michael Hüther, Director and Member of the Presidium at the German Economic Institute; Payne Griffin, Senior Director at FTI Consulting, and former Deputy Chief of Staff to U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer; and Christin Schack, Vice President & Managing Director Central Europe Region (A-BE-CH-D-NL) at 3M, Member of AmCham Germany's Board of Directors, and Regional Chair for NRW

TOPIC: The Trump Administration's Economic Policies and their Effects

From left to right: Viktoria Harbecke, AmerikaHaus; Daisy Gräfin von Einsiedel, Prof. Dr. Rainer Minz; all of AmerikaHaus; Nicole Bastian, Handelsblatt; Payne Griffin; Prof. Dr. Michael Hüther; Christin Schack; Dr. Ingo Wolf; AmerikaHaus; Dr. Juliane Kronen; AmerikaHaus; Hermann Knott, Chair Cologne, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia.



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November 3, 2025 Executive Forum, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKERS: Manuel **Hagel**, Chairman of the CDU Parliamentary Group in Baden-Württemberg; Daniel **Pitzer**, CFO, Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH; Jan Friedrich **Kallmorgen**, Partner at EY-Parthenon Germany, Lead Geopolitical Strategy; Björn **Conrad**, CEO and Co-founder of Sinolytics – Your China Strategy; and Oliver **Karpf**, Chair of AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Baden-Württemberg;
TOPIC: Transatlantic Economic Relations & Geopolitical Dynamics

From left to right: Björn Conrad, CEO and Co-founder of Sinolytics – Your China Strategy; Christopher Gleffe, Mahle; Jan Kallmorgen, Partner at EY-Parthenon Germany, Lead Geopolitical Strategy; Manuel Hagel, Chairman of the CDU Parliamentary Group in Baden-Württemberg; Sophie Albrecht, Liebherr; Oliver Karpf, Chair of AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Baden-Württemberg; Daniel Pitzer, CFO, Liebherr-Werk Ehingen GmbH; Andreas Keim, EY; Jim Monroe.

November 26, 2025 Business After Hours, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKER: Dr. Anke **Rigbers**; President, Statistisches Landesamt Baden-Württemberg
TOPIC: Handelspolitik im Wandel? Was die Außenhandelsstatistik über Baden-Württembergs Exportgeschäft mit den USA verrät

December 12, 2025 Business Lunch, Saxony

TOPIC: Discussion with delegation of Former Members of Congress moderated by Prof. Dr. Heribert Heckschen, Regional Chapter Chair Saxony



November 12, 2025 Business Dinner, Saxony

SPEAKER: Dr. Jana **Puglierin**, Senior Policy Fellow & Head of Berlin Office European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) e.V.

TOPIC: Transatlantic Relations in the Backdrop of Geopolitical Changes

From left to right: Jens Gehlich, Partner, Noerr Partnerschaftsgesellschaft mbB; Dr. Jana Puglierin; Prof. Dr. Heribert Heckschen, Regional Chapter Chair Saxony.



December 3, 2025 Christmas Reception, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: Nathan **Seifert**, Minister-Counselor for Commercial Affairs, U.S. Embassy Berlin; Michael **Sullivan**, Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs, U.S. Embassy Berlin; AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chairs Berlin-Brandenburg Jan Friedrich **Kallmorgen** and Nina **Englert**.

The event was organized by AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter Berlin-Brandenburg, together with the U.S. Commercial Service and the Economic Section of the U.S. Embassy Berlin.

TOPIC: Christmas Reception with mulled wine, cookies and Christmas carols, at the U.S. Ambassador's Residence in Berlin-Dahlem

From left to right: Jan Friedrich Kallmorgen; Todd Fletcher, pianist, producer and composer, President at PluralArts International; Nina Englert; Nathan Seifert; Michael Sullivan.

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November 24, 2025 Thanksgiving Dinner, Lower Saxony

SPEAKERS: Olaf **Lies**, Minister President of Lower Saxony; Daniel **Andrich**, General Manager AmCham Germany; and Dr. Christian **Nordholtz**, Regional Chapter Chair Lower Saxony; U.S. Consul General Scott **Woodard**; U.S. Consulate General Hamburg

*From left to right: Dr. Knut **Tonne**, KPMG; Dr. Christian **Nordholtz**; Marco **Siebert**, Deutsche Messe; U.S. Consul General Scott **Woodard**; Daniel **Andrich**; Minister President Olaf **Lies**; Jens-Christian **Senger**, ExxonMobil; Ronny **Hauck**, ExxonMobil; Alexander **Rüter**, Central-Hotel Kaiserhof.*



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November 27, 2025 Thanksgiving Dinner, Rhine-Main

SPEAKERS: U.S. Consul General Brian **Heath**, U.S. Consulate General Frankfurt; Simone **Menne**, AmCham Germany President; Dr. Rob **Smith**, Chief Executive Officer, KION GROUP AG and AmCham Germany Board Member

*From left to right: Rob **Smith**; Gabriele **Haessig**, Regional Chapter Chair of Rhine-Main; U.S. Consul General Brian **Heath**; Simone **Menne**; David **Knower**, AmCham Germany Vice President and Regional Chapter Chair of Rhine-Main.*

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November 25, 2025 Thanksgiving Dinner, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKERS: U.S. Consul General Preeti V. **Shah**; U.S. Consulate General Düsseldorf; Philip **Dipner**, CFO, Cognigy GmbH; and Christin **Schack** and Theresa **Winkels**, Regional Chapter Chairs.

← (from left to right): Christin **Schack**; U.S. Consul General **Shah**; Theresa **Winkels**.
→ Philip **Dipner**, Cognigy.



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↑ From left to right: Oliver Karpf, AmCham Germany Chair, Regional Chapter Baden-Württemberg; Daniel Andrich; Dr. Stefan Hartung, Chief Executive Officer of Robert Bosch GmbH; Dr. Danyal Bayaz, State Minister of Finance of Baden-Württemberg; Dr. Ulrich A. Sante, Vice Chairman of Landesbank Baden-Württemberg LBBW; Major General Matthew G. Trollinger, United States Africa Command; Prof. Dr. Michael Arnold, AmCham Germany Chair, Regional Chapter Baden-Württemberg.

January 15, 2026 New Year's Reception, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKERS: Dr. Ulrich A. Sante, Vice Chairman, Landesbank Baden-Württemberg, Dr. Danyal Bayaz, State Minister of Finance of Baden-Württemberg; Dr. Stefan Hartung, Chief Executive Officer of Robert Bosch GmbH; Daniel Andrich, General Manager of AmCham Germany; AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chairs Prof. Dr. Michael Arnold from Gleiss Lutz and Oliver Karpf from Bankhaus Metzler

↓ From left to right (starting with the third person): Major General Matthew G. Trollinger; Dr. Stefan Hartung, Dr. Danyal Bayaz.



From left to right: Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf, Dr. Christopher Schwieger; Simone Menne; U.S. Consul General Scott Woodard; Dr. Henning C. Schneider.

January 19, 2026 New Year's Reception, Northern Germany

SPEAKERS: Dr. Christopher Schwieger, State Secretary at the Ministry of Economics, Labour and Innovation of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg; U.S. Consul General Scott Woodard, U.S. Consulate General Hamburg; Dr. Maximilian Rothkopf, AmCham Germany Chair, Regional Chapter Northern Germany; Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany.

January 29, 2026 New Year's Reception, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKERS: U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Alan Meltzer, U.S. Embassy Berlin; and Paul Höller, State Secretary at the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Industry, Climate Action and Energy of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia.

TOPIC: Reinforcing Transatlantic Ties Amid Global Insights

From left to right: Theresa Winkels, Regional Chapter Chair North Rhine-Westphalia; Chargé d'Affaires Alan Meltzer, U.S. Embassy Berlin; Daniel Andrich, AmCham Germany; U.S. Consul General Preeti V. Shah; Christin Schack, Regional Chapter Chair North Rhine-Westphalia.



New Year's Receptions



↑ Dr. Veit **Buetterlin-Goldberg**, AlixPartners; Ansgar **Baums**, Microsoft; Dr. Benedikt **Franke**, Munich Security Conference; Philipp **Meske**, AlixPartners; Ilka **Horstmeier**, BMW AG; Dr. James **Miller**, U.S. Consul General; Simone **Menne**; Glenn **Schmidt**, BMW AG.

January 22, 2026 New Year's Reception, Bavaria

SPEAKERS: U.S. Consul General Dr. James **Miller**, U.S. Consulate General Munich; Ilka **Horstmeier**, Member of the Board of Management of BMW AG, People and Real Estate, Labour Relations Director; Simone **Menne**, President, AmCham Germany; Glenn **Schmidt** and Philipp **Meske**, AmCham Germany Chairs, Regional Chapter Bavaria.

TOPIC: Redefining Transatlantic Relations: A Time for New Year's Resolutions

↓ Panel discussion "Redefining Transatlantic Relations: Navigating through Geopolitical Uncertainties." From left to right: Dr. Veit **Buetterlin-Goldberg**; Ansgar **Baums**; Dr. Benedikt **Franke**; Glenn **Schmidt**.



February 16, 2026

New Year's Reception, Rhine-Main

SPEAKERS: Prof. Dr. Joachim **Nagel**, President, Deutsche Bundesbank; U.S. Consul General Brian **Heath**, U.S. Consulate General Frankfurt

→ From left to right: U.S. Consul General Brian **Heath**, U.S. Consulate General Frankfurt; Prof. Dr. Joachim **Nagel**, President, Deutsche Bundesbank; Simone **Menne**, President, AmCham Germany; David **Knower**, AmCham Germany Vice President & Co-Chair, Regional Chapter Rhine-Main; Gabriele **Hässig**, Co-Chair, Regional Chapter Rhine-Main.



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March 3, 2026 Event Cooperation, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKERS: Jörg Bienert, Co-founder and Chairman of the German AI Association (Bundesverband der Unternehmen der Künstlichen Intelligenz in Deutschland e.V.); Dr. Alexander Nichau, Managing Partner, niologic GmbH; Nina Keim, Director Government Affairs & Public Policy, Salesforce.com Germany and Chair, AmCham Germany Digital Policy Committee

MODERATOR: Hermann Knott, Chair, AmCham Germany Regional Committee Cologne, Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia

TOPIC: Myth or Reality? – Strategies for the Successful Use of AI in Business in the EU and the U.S.



From left to right: Dr. Alexander Nichau, niologic GmbH; Nina Keim, Chair, AmCham Germany Digital Policy Committee, Salesforce Germany GmbH; Jörg Bienert, the German AI Association (KI Bundesverband); Hermann Knott, Chair, AmCham Germany Regional Committee Cologne, Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia.

February 4, 2026

Breakfast Roundtable, Rhine-Main

SPEAKER: Fred Fleitz, Vice Chairman of the America First Policy Institute's Center for American Security

DISCUSSION TOPICS included U.S. foreign policy and developments related to Iran, Ukraine, Greenland and China as well as transatlantic relations, EU-U.S. trade and the outlook for 2026 under the U.S. administration.



During the Breakfast Roundtable.



From left to right: Nina Englert; Dr. Marcus Wachtmeister; Thomas Henneberg, AmCham Germany.

March 5, 2026 Business After Hours, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: Nina Englert, AmCham Germany Regional Chapter Chair Berlin-Brandenburg and Dealer Principal, BMW Corporate Store Berlin; Dr. Marcus Wachtmeister, Head of Government Affairs Germany, BMW Group

TOPIC: Navigating Global Shifts: The Future of the Automotive Industry

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From left to right: U.S. Consul General Preeti V. Shah; Christin Schack, Chair, AmCham Germany's Regional Chapter North Rhine-Westphalia; Michael Robbins, CEO, AUVSI.

March 26, 2026 Executive Roundtable, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKER: Michael Robbins, President and CEO of the Association for Uncrewed Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI)

TOPIC: Building Resilient Transatlantic Supply Chains



April 16, 2026 Business After Hours, Baden-Württemberg

SPEAKERS: Pete Andrysiak P.E., Senior Counselor for European Defense, Palantir Technologies; Dr. Josef Korte, Palantir; Dr. Alexander Ebering, KPMG AG; Oliver Karpf, Regional Chapter Chair for Baden-Württemberg.

TOPIC: Exploring Data- & AI-Driven Solutions for the Defence Sector

From left to right: Pete Andrysiak P.E., Palantir Technologies; Dr. Josef Korte, Palantir; Dr. Alexander Ebering, KPMG AG; Oliver Karpf, Regional Chapter Chair for Baden-Württemberg.



Preview Upcoming Events:

July 2026 (exact date tbd) Independence Day Celebration, Rhine-Main

August 26, 2026 International Summer Barbecue, Saxony

SPEAKERS: Elisabeth Kaiser, Minister of State, Member of the German Bundestag, Federal Government Commissioner for Eastern Germany; U.S. Consul General Jodi Breisler, U.S. Consulate General Leipzig

September 17, 2026 Summer Barbecue in Meerbusch, North Rhine-Westphalia

SPEAKER: U.S. Consul General Preeti V. Shah, U.S. Consulate General Düsseldorf

For an overview of all our upcoming events, please see:

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April 21, 2026 Breakfast Roundtable, Berlin-Brandenburg

SPEAKERS: Alexander Tönjes, POLITICO; Frederike Holewik, Joana Lehner, both from POLITICO's energy editorial team; Benjamin Sokolowski, AmCham Germany Chair Trade & Strategic Competitiveness Committee

TOPIC: Breakfast Roundtable on Energy Policy

From left to right: Dr. Konstantin Bätz, Miller & Meier Consulting; Frederike Holewik, POLITICO Germany; Joana Lehner, POLITICO Germany; Alexander Tönjes, POLITICO Germany.

April 28, 2026 Business After Hours, Bavaria

SPEAKERS: Dr. Johannes Krämer, Global Co-Leader of the Operating Model & Organizational Transformation Practice, AlixPartners; Christian Kick, Service Line Leader Strategy & Transformation DACH at IBM Consulting; Karl-Friedrich Emde, Chief Financial Officer, SOLVD Group (Allianz); and Andreas Schwaiger, Vice President, Managing Director Germany, Texas Instruments

TOPIC: AI Value Creation: Insights for Corporate Functions



From left to right: Karl-Friedrich Emde; Dr. Johannes Krämer; Christian Kick.



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Advancing Strategic Partnerships

AmCham Germany is committed to deepening transatlantic cooperation through strategic partnerships, such as with the AmChams in Europe (ACE) network, the Munich Security Conference, JOBLINGE e.V., the Transatlantic Business Initiative, as well as the U.S. Mission to Germany, among other transatlantic actors beyond its membership.



ABOUT THE AMERICAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE IN EUROPE (ACE)

Established in 1963, ACE serves as an umbrella organization for 49 AmChams across 47 countries throughout Europe and Eurasia. It represents the interest of more than 17,000 American and European companies in Europe. The ACE network organizes virtual and in-person exchanges for its member AmChams several times a year, among others a Best Practice Sharing Conference, an annual Brussels Briefing hosted by AmCham EU, as well as a Delegation Trip to the U.S..

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Best Practice Sharing Conference Kotor, Montenegro

Exchange of Ideas, Projects, and Best Practices

From October 8–10, 2025 the AmChams in Europe (ACE) network hosted its annual **Best Practice Sharing Conference** in Kotor, Montenegro. Our General Manager, Daniel **Andrich**, and Heather **Liermann**, Head of Membership Engagement & Development, represented AmCham Germany at this gathering of the AmChams in Europe Association.

The conference provided an excellent platform for exchange and collaboration among AmChams, focusing on best practices in membership, communications, and advocacy. Participants also engaged in strategic discussions with C-level board members on the implementation of the new ACE strategy and gained valuable insights into Montenegro's economic, cultural, and political landscape.

A highlight of this year's event was the Gala Dinner, attended by 55 AmCham representatives from across Europe and over 100 members of AmCham Montenegro. During the evening, Montenegro's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Development, Nik **Gjeloshaj**, underscored the significance of open dialogue and collaboration between government and business communities such as the American Chambers of Commerce.

Pictured:

- 1 Participants visited the Bay of Kotor.
- 2 Ajša **Vodnik**, President of the AmChams in Europe network (ACE) and Nik **Gjeloshaj**, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy and Minister of Economic Development of Montenegro.
- 3 At the EU Gala Dinner.
- 4 Heather **Liermann**; Elias **Spirtoonias**, Vice Chair, American Chambers in Europe; Ajša **Vodnik**; Chair AmCham Slovenia; Daniel **Andrich**.



courtesy of AmChams in Europe

The ACE delegation 2026.

Brussels Doorknock and Transatlantic Conference 2026 Brussels, Belgium

More than 35 Representatives from 22 AmChams from Europe (ACE) Coming Together in Brussels

The 2026 AmCham EU Transatlantic Conference and Brussels Briefing was held on March 16–17, 2026 in Brussels. The event brought together business leaders and policymakers to exchange views on the EU–U.S. business outlook, economic resilience, and regulatory developments amid evolving political dynamics. The 2026 agenda focused on key priorities, including competitiveness, digital policy, and environmental regulation.

As part of the programme, AmCham Germany's General Manager Daniel **Andrich** participated in the ACE **Brussels Doorknock**, co-organised by the American Chamber of Commerce to the European Union (AmCham EU). Hosted at AmCham EU's offices, the initiative gathered representatives from AmChams across Europe for meetings with EU policymakers, institutional representatives, and think tanks. Discussions centred on current issues in transatlantic trade, European competitiveness, and opportunities for enhanced cooperation.

Reflecting on the value of the network, Daniel Andrich noted: “The AmChams in Europe network provides an ideal platform for discussing best practices and fostering exchanges with our fellow Chambers on current transatlantic trade and investment topics.”

During the **Transatlantic Conference**, Daniel **Hamilton**, Senior Fellow, Foreign Policy Institute, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University and Joseph **Quinlan**, Senior Fellow, Transatlantic Leadership Network, presented The Transatlantic Economy 2026 report, highlighting the depth of the EU-U.S. economic relationship and key trends shaping trade and investment.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF ACE

The Executive Committee of AmChams in Europe consists of seven dedicated leaders, each representing a member AmCham. Their main role is to foster the growth and unity of the AmCham network across Wider Europe and to ensure the seamless exchange of best practices between member organizations. Daniel **Andrich**, General Manger of AmCham Germany is one of them.

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ACE U.S. Delegation

Washington, D.C.

AmCham Executives Engage with U.S. Stakeholders

We were delighted to participate in the 2026 AmCham's in Europe (ACE) Delegation to the U.S., with our General Manager Daniel Andrich and Heather Liermann, Head of Membership, representing AmCham Germany.

This year's ACE U.S. Delegation brought together 37 AmCham executives from 30 countries for a week of meetings, exchanges and engagement with political representatives, think tanks and business stakeholders in Washington, D.C.

Participants engaged in a comprehensive program. Across both cities, the delegation fostered meaningful discussions, strengthened partnerships, and advanced key organizational priorities.

Please note: The editorial deadline for this text was April 15, 2026.

Strategic Partnerships / Munich Security Conference Side Events



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Strengthening Transatlantic Business Dialogue at the Munich Security Conference

AmCham Germany participated in the Munich Security Conference again as an official Institutional Partner and kicked things off by co-organizing the German-U.S. Congressional Business Roundtable. The Roundtable brought together C-level company representatives and the U.S. Congressional Delegation to facilitate an open and informal dialogue between U.S. Members of Congress and transatlantic business leaders.

During the roundtable, introductory remarks were provided by U.S. Chargé d'Affaires a.i. Alan **Meltzer**, U.S. Embassy Berlin; U.S. Senator Chris **Coons**; AmCham Germany President Simone **Menne**, and Dr. Tobias **Meyer**, Chairman of the Transatlantic Business Initiative and CEO of DHL Group. Additional members of the U.S. Congressional Delegation in attendance included Senator Andy **Kim**; U.S. Senator Jacky **Rosen**; U.S. Senator Peter **Welch**, and Representative Michael **Baumgartner**. The event also welcomed Ambassador Jens **Hanefeld**, Embassy of Germany in Washington, D.C.; and Ambassador Wolfgang **Ischinger** among its distinguished guests.

The roundtable was made possible through the joint efforts of the U.S. Congressional Delegation and the co-hosts, the U.S. Embassy Berlin and the Transatlantic Business Initiative, providing a platform for dialogue on U.S.-German business relations at the Munich Security Conference.

- 1 Daniel **Andrich**, AmCham Germany; U.S. Consul General Dr. James **Miller**, U.S. Consulate General Munich; Simone **Menne**, President AmCham Germany; Chargé d'Affaires Alan **Meltzer**, U.S. Embassy Berlin.
- 2 Michael Kotzbauer, Commerzbank AG; U.S. Senator Jacky **Rosen**; David **Knower**, Cerberus.
- 3 Paul **Horvath**, Orchard Global; Alex **Panas**, McKinsey & Company; U.S. Representative Michael **Baumgartner**; Ralf **Wintergerst**, Giesecke+Devrient GmbH.

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MUNICH SECURITY CONFERENCE

As an institutional partner of the Munich Security Conference (MSC), AmCham Germany is co-hosting the **German-U.S. Congressional Business Roundtable** in cooperation with the Transatlantic Business Initiative and the U.S. Embassy Berlin.

AmCham Germany is also organizing an annual **Transatlantic Networking Dinner** for members of the transatlantic business community. Both events are official side events of the MSC.

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Strategic Partnerships / Munich Security Conference Side Events



During the Transatlantic Networking Dinner.



Mona **Neubaur**, Minister for Economic Affairs, Industry, Climate Action and Energy of the State of North Rhine–Westphalia; and Benjamin **Sokolowski**, Managing Director Germany & Vice-President Government Affairs EMEA, Qualcomm.



Paul **Kapur**, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, U.S. Department of State; and Simone **Menne**, AmCham Germany.

Strengthening Transatlantic Resilience: Policy and Business Leaders Exchange Views on Transatlantic Cooperation

AmCham Germany hosted an official side event during the Munich Security Conference – the Transatlantic Networking Dinner on the topic “*Strengthening Transatlantic Resilience: Rethinking Business and Policy Priorities in an Era of Global Disruption.*”

By bringing together high-level stakeholders from politics and business across industries and from both sides of the Atlantic, the dinner fostered informal, solution-focused conversation on how to further strengthen U.S.–German and U.S.–European cooperation.

Opening the official side event, AmCham Germany President Simone **Menne** highlighted the importance of strong transatlantic cooperation and sustained dialogue. Opening remarks were also delivered by Benjamin **Sokolowski**, Managing Director Germany and Vice President Government Affairs EMEA at Qualcomm, and Alex **Panas**, Senior Partner and Global Leader of Industry Sectors at McKinsey & Company.

The Transatlantic Networking Dinner featured remarks by Bernd **Lange**, Member of the European Parliament and Chair of the Committee on International Trade, who shared his perspectives with attending members and guests.

Distinguished guests in attendance also included Paul **Kapur**, Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asian Affairs at the U.S. Department of State; Mona **Neubaur**, Minister for Economic Affairs, Industry, Climate Action and Energy of the State of North



Bernd **Lange**, Member of the European Parliament and Metin **Hakverdi**, MdB, Coordinator of Transatlantic Cooperation.

Rhine–Westphalia; Metin **Hakverdi**, Member of the German Bundestag and Coordinator of Transatlantic Cooperation; and Brendan **Hanrahan**, Senior Bureau Official for the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs (EUR) at the U.S. Department of State.

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NextGen / Program

AmCham Germany's NextGen Program

Through the NextGen program, AmCham Germany connects young professionals with a strong interest in fostering the transatlantic partnership.

The NextGen program supports the future of AmCham Germany by creating an enthusiastic, digitally driven community that is attractive for coming generations of diverse talent. In bringing together this group of aspiring people from a variety of sectors, it is our goal to support tomorrow's decision makers and

transatlantic business leaders. By participating in the NextGen program, our member companies profit from employees with a transatlantic mindset and an enhanced professional network that spans multiple industries.

After completion of the NextGen year, participants benefit from the growing NextGen alumni network. The program is complemented by a Steering Committee consisting of NextGens to link participants and alumni.

>> www.amcham.de/membership/nextgen-program



NextGen Workshop during the kick-off conference 2025.

JOIN AMCHAM GERMANY'S NEXTGEN PROGRAM

Each year a group of young and mid-career professionals from AmCham Germany member companies are selected to become part of the one-year NextGen program. This allows them to closely experience AmCham Germany and foster transatlantic economic relations, to network and share their expertise with peers from a diverse range of sectors, and to discuss business challenges with industry leaders. After completion of the NextGen year, participants benefit from the growing NextGen alumni network.

A **kick-off conference** as well as subsequent **year-round events** include discussions with high-level speakers from business, politics, media, and think tanks, in formats including but not limited to roundtable discussions, site visits at AmCham Germany member companies, workshops that focus on fostering the understanding of transatlantic business relations and current geoeconomic affairs, as well as the U.S.–German relationship in a broader sense.

Nominations for the cohort of 2027/2028 will open in December 2026.

NEXTGENS WILL...

- **enhance** their own skill sets in fields such as leadership and future of work
- **be** field experts on the insides and dynamics of transatlantic business
- **establish** a network across different sectors and within AmCham Germany's membership
- **exchange** expertise and best practices among their peers.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES...

- **support** tomorrow's decision makers and transatlantic business leaders
- **place** current company key topics of the NextGens in the broader context of German-American partnership
- **establish** a network across different sectors and within AmCham Germany's membership.

NextGen / Program



Kick-Off Conference

Welcoming the 2025/2026 NextGen Cohort

August 30 – September 3, 2025

PLACE: Lake Starnberg, Feldafing

The program of the NextGen kick-off conference featured numerous insights from decision makers from business, politics and the media.

For the first time, the NextGen program is supported by AmCham Germany member Thermo Fisher Scientific. **Konrad Bauer**, Senior Vice President Global Business Services, Thermo Fisher Scientific, joined the cohort to both present Thermo Fisher Scientific and share his thoughts and expertise on tariffs and supply chain resilience. The joint conversation continued over a welcoming dinner with a view of Lake Starnberg.

Daniel Andrich, General Manager, AmCham Germany; and **Thomas Henneberg**, Head of Department, Strategic Partnerships, Regional

Coordination & Events, AmCham Germany, presented an introduction to the opportunities with and within the chamber and highlighted the extensive variety of AmCham Germany events and initiatives for the transatlantic business community.

The cohort met with **David Knowler**, AmCham Germany Vice President and Regional Chapter Chair of Rhine–Main, who showcased the plethora of AmCham Germany possibilities for engagement. Culminating in a virtual session with AmCham Germany President **Simone Menne**, the day provided the chance for the group to speak with the experienced leader and receive expertise and advice for their leadership roles and career paths.

Having been in their shoes some months ago, **Simone Schatto**, Roland Berger; **Shelley Cantrick**, Deutsche Bank; and **Torben Krauss**, Texas Instruments, representing the AmCham Germany NextGen Steering Committee, joined

the cohort for a session of experience, best practices, and Q&As.

The day was rounded out by a workshop on current business trends and future-oriented ideas, which took place in the sunny garden of the conference venue and inspired the young leaders to think outside the box and connect across sectors and perspectives.

Claudia Donzelmann, Global Head of Regulatory and Public Affairs, Allianz, gave an insight into geopolitical aspects and encouraged the participants to look beyond the known and consider current political trends, challenges, and chances in their daily work.

The conference was a great start for 27 transatlanticists who kicked off their transatlantic venture and personal AmCham Germany experience. Once again, these activities are showcasing the relevance of fora engaging with and across the transatlantic business community.

Group photo during the kick-off conference in September 2025.

From left to right:
David Weiß; **Mona Metzner**; **Matthias Leba**;
Tanja Sommer; **Jenna Schulte**; **Inga Stapper**;
Konrad Bauer; **Janine Horn**; **Max-Frieder Schiel**;
Enno Medler; **Christopher Frank**; **Christina Storteboom**;
Tim Neumann; **Diana Wicht**;
Sebastian Hierl; **Julia Egelseder**; **Franziska Kutsche**;
Thomas Hoffmann; **Julia Klostermann**;
Anja Wittig; **Dr. Gabriella Piras**; **Theresa Gmey**;
Dr. Tobias Schulz; **Rachel Kühn**; **Philipp Steiner**.



NextGen Frankfurt Day Frankfurt

October 15, 2025

The 2025 **NextGen Frankfurt Day** offered the NextGen Cohort an engaging program highlighting key transatlantic business themes and innovation in Germany. The day began at AmCham Germany's Frankfurt office, where General Manager **Daniel Andrich** welcomed the current cohort. **Christopher F. Porter**, Member of the Board of Directors, BNY, joined for a discussion on transatlantic trends.

Participants then enjoyed an exclusive tour of the Deutsche Börse, gaining insights into its operations and the history of Frankfurt as Germany's financial hub. Thank you to **Niels Tomm**, Executive Director, Representative of the Board, and **Max Christian Ebner**, Community Management Frankfurt, for inviting the cohort.

The program continued with a visit to Procter & Gamble Deutschland, hosted by Regional Committee

Chair **Gabriele Haessig**, focusing on innovation and sustainability.

In the evening, Deutsche Bank hosted a panel discussion and networking reception moderated by **Shelley Cantrick**, Vice President – Global Business Management, Deutsche Bank, and NextGen Steering Committee member. **Tim Rokossa**, **Monica Munoz**, and **Dr. Matthaeus Sielecki**, all of Deutsche Bank, shared perspectives on the future of the automotive industry and global business trends.

The Frankfurt Day was preceded by an exclusive event at FTI Consulting, organized by participant **Caroline Mücke-Kemp**, Managing Director and Head of Public & Government Affairs. The session provided valuable insights from the firm's *Communications Heatmap 2025* study.

From left to right, up to down:

Julia Klostermann;
Charlott Buchholz;
Christina Storteboom;
Tim Neumann;
Dr. Gabriella Piras;
Anja Wittig;
Torben Krauss;
Marina Barbir;
Sebastian Hierl;
Dr. Tobias Schulz;
Janine Horn;
Rachel Kühn;
Franziska Kutsche;
Thomas Henneberg;
Gabriele Hässig;
Thomas Hoffmann;
Mona Metzner;
Theresa Gmey.

Alumni Session Berlin

November 20, 2025

TOPIC: Talent Retention and Employee Engagement in Uncertain Times

On the occasion of our 19th Transatlantic Business Conference, we hosted an exclusive NextGen side session on "Talent Retention and Employee Engagement in Uncertain Times."

Our Berlin-Brandenburg Chapter Co-Chairs, **Nina Englert**, Dealer Principal, BMW Berlin, BMW Group; and **Jan Friedrich Kallmorgen**, Partner, Strategy & Transactions, EY; shared insightful perspectives on what it takes to lead, teach, and retain talent in a rapidly evolving world of work.

The discussion touched on some pressing topics shaping today's professional landscape such as leadership and managing new organizational expectations, shifting professional dynamics and emerging fields of work and what truly drives engagement and long-term retention of talent.

This session was made possible through the coordination and dedication of **Monika Blauberger**, Pfizer, from the NextGen Steering Committee.



From left to right: **Annika Bahl;** **Marlene Wolf;** **Ludwig Högn;** **Christian Cappel.**

NextGen / Program



NextGen participants in front of the U.S. Embassy Berlin.

NextGen Berlin Day Berlin

March 5, 2026

The 2026 **NextGen Berlin Day** is a one-day program which includes exchanges with political and business stakeholders in Berlin and provides insights to AmCham Germany's member companies. The 2026 program opened with an insight meeting at AmCham's Berlin office. The NextGen cohort met with Daniel **Andrich**, General Manager, AmCham Germany; and Regional Chair Nina **Englert**, Dealer Principal, CEO at BMW Group, BMW Berlin.

At the U.S. Embassy in Berlin, participants enjoyed the opportunity to meet with Minister Counselors Michael **Sullivan** and Nathan **Seifert**. Both highlighted the strong values of the longstanding relationship between partners across the Atlantic and how it adds invaluable economic gains and prosperity for both countries. Hungry for knowledge and hungry for food, AmCham's member company Burgermeister hosted the young leaders for lunch at their Mehringdamm location.

Leander **Brune**, COO, Burgermeister, shared the company's iconic history and exciting expansion plans while highlighting the culinary uniqueness of their products. During an exclusive exchange with Marcel **Lewicki**, Director of Partnerships and Development at the Munich Security Conference, participants received behind-the-scenes insights into how the Munich Security Conference operates.

The day wrapped up at POLITICO's office overlooking Berlin. POLITICO's journalists Carlotta **Diederich** and Felix **Flanderka** answered questions and shed light into their daily work in the political realm.

The program concluded with a networking session hosted by AmCham Germany member EY. Jan-Rainer **Hinz**, Managing Partner Talent & Culture, Germany; and Andreas **Butz**, Talent Leader Germany at EY; shared valuable lessons with the cohort.

Preview Upcoming Events

NextGen Special Event Stuttgart

In connection with the Annual Membership Meeting in Stuttgart 2026, a NextGen Special Event will take place on May 18, 2026.

MORE INFO >>

www.amcham.de/membership/nextgen-program

Policy Activities / Policy Committees and Chairs

as of May 2026

The Voice of Transatlantic Business

AmCham Germany's public affairs and government relations activities revolve around the work of six specialized policy committees. The policy committees constitute AmCham Germany's forum for discussing and defining policy recommendations on critical transatlantic business and government issues. They are the voice of transatlantic business and foster the dialogue between AmCham Germany's member companies and decision makers, as well as other stakeholders in politics, business and civil society. Position statements and press releases are developed in order to deliver members' opinions to the government, the public and relevant stakeholders.

Aerospace and Defense Committee



Chair Dr. Elisabeth Hauschild
Diehl Stiftung & Co. KG



Chair James E. Monroe
Monroe Atlantic GmbH



Chair Dirk Niebel
Rheinmetall AG

Energy & Climate Committee



Chair Christiane Landsberg
Thermo Fisher Scientific



Chair Dr. Birgit Ortlieb
Dow Deutschland Inc.

Digital Policy Committee



Chair Nina Keim
Salesforce.com Germany GmbH



Chair Wolfgang Percy Ott
Cisco Systems GmbH

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee



Chair Dr. Gerd Kräh
Lilly Deutschland GmbH



Chair Dorothee Stamm
Medtronic GmbH

Policy Adviser



Adviser Philipp Braun
Solventum

Tax Committee



Chair Kai Strümgmann
UPS Deutschland S.à.r.l.
Co. OHG



Chair Margarete Schätzler
PwC

Trade and Strategic Competitiveness Committee



Chair Dr. Christina Gommlich
BASF SE



Chair Benjamin Sokolowski
Qualcomm

Policy Activities / Leadership Visit to Washington, D.C.



1 (from left to right): Jim **Monroe**; Daniel **Pitzer**, Liebherr; Hon. Cindy **Axne**; Hon. Rodney **Davis**; Han **Steutel**, VfA; Rob **Smith**, KION.

2 (from left to right): Stefanie **Bär**, German Embassy; Jim **Monroe**; Han **Steutel**; Daniel **Andrich**; Ambassador Jens **Hanefeld**; Dorothee **Schneider**, German Embassy; Stefan **Hafke**, Citigroup; Warren **Marine**, KPMG; Robin **Richter**, Belchem; Rob **Smith**, KION.

Annual Leadership Visit Highlights Transatlantic Exchange in Washington, D.C.

From October 19–21, 2025, an AmCham Germany delegation traveled to the U.S. capital for the Annual Leadership Visit to gain first-hand insights into economic developments in the U.S., the trade policies of the President Trump administration, and the broader state of U.S.–German relations.

Despite the government shutdown, the delegation conducted a wide range of meetings with policy and business leaders. They gained valuable impressions of the current political and economic environment in Washington, D.C.

Highlights included meetings with:

- Jens **Hanefeld**, German Ambassador to the U.S., Embassy of Germany, Washington, D.C.;
- the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC) including: Hon. Cindy **Axne**, Former Member of Congress; Hon. Rodney **Davis**, Former Member of Congress; Hon. Tom **Graves**, Former Member of Congress;
- Christopher **Padilla**, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade (retired); Doug **Sosnik** former White House Political Director and Deputy Legislative Director; Sharon **Soderstrom**, former Chief of Staff to Senate Republican Leader Mitch **McConnell**; and George **Little**, Partner, Brunswick Washington D.C., Office Head (meeting hosted by Brunswick Group); and
- Candida **Wolff**, EVP and Head of Global Government Affairs, Citigroup, and Lisa **Schroeter**, Global Director of Trade and Investment Policy, Dow Chemical Company.



LEADERSHIP VISIT

The annual **Leadership Visit** involves representatives from AmCham Germany member companies discussing relevant economic policy issues with representatives of the U.S. administration, U.S. Congress, think tanks and the transatlantic business community in Washington, D.C.

With the **Leadership Visit** we strengthen ties and promote shared economic interests in a rapidly evolving global environment.

Policy Activities / Committee Meetings

Promoting Transatlantic Business Cooperation

From keeping our members informed on what matters most to promoting their dialogue with political leaders – AmCham Germany’s advocacy work is committed to supporting fair and free trade between the U.S. and Europe and promoting a regulatory framework that encourages investment and fosters economic growth.

A large number of AmCham Germany’s corporate members are actively engaged in our six industry- and issue-specific policy committees. Together, we devise positions and submit policy recommendations to political decision makers in Germany, the EU and the U.S.

Our regular committee meetings with political stakeholders serve as a platform for our members to address their concerns directly and simultaneously use the weight of a unified voice.

THE SIX POLICY COMMITTEES:

- Aerospace and Defense
- Digital Policy
- Energy and Climate
- Healthcare & Life Sciences
- Tax
- Trade and Strategic Competitiveness

Selected Policy Committee Meetings (June 2025 – April 2026):



June 5, 2025 Berlin

Tax Committee Meeting with Fritz Güntzler, MdB, Spokesperson for Financial Policy, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group, and Dr. Wendelin Staats, Head of Division IV B 5, German Federal Ministry of Finance

TOPICS: Current issues in tax policy

From left to right: Margarete Schätzler, Tax Committee Chair; Fritz Güntzler, MdB; Kai Strüngmann, Tax Committee Chair.



June 27, 2025 Berlin

Aerospace & Defense Committee Meeting with Falko Droßmann, MdB, Defense Policy Spokesperson of the SPD Parliamentary Group
TOPICS: Current defense issues

From left to right: Falko Droßmann, MdB, SPD Parliamentary Group; Dr. Thomas Derlin, GSK Stockmann; Johannes Ropers, Boeing Deutschland GmbH; Patrick Spengler, Miller & Meier Consulting GmbH; Frank Sitta, General Atomics; David Kalbfleisch, Vincorion; Ann-Sophie Schumm, Renk Group; James E. Monroe, Monroe Atlantic; Dr. Elisabeth Hauschild, Diehl Stiftung & Co. KG.

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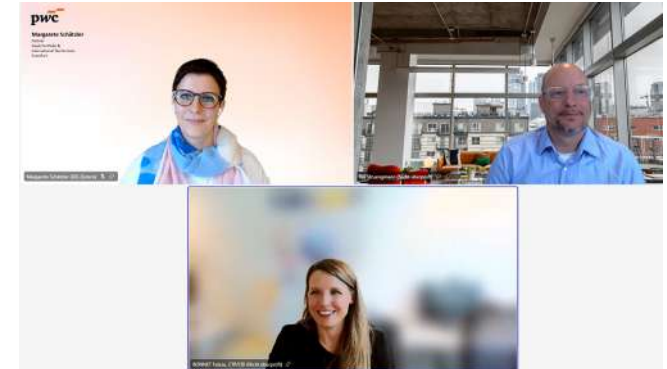


September 15, 2025 Berlin

Trade and Strategic Competitiveness Committee Meeting with Bernd **Lange**, MDEP (SPD), Chair of the Committee on International Trade, European Parliament, and Dr. Christian **Forwick**, Deputy Director-General External Economic Relations, Trade Policy, America, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy

TOPICS: Current development in transatlantic trade relations

Picture: During the meeting.



October 7, 2025 virtual

Tax Committee Meeting with Félicie **Bonnet**, Head of Unit for International Tax Initiatives; Cross-Border and International Tax Division, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

TOPIC: Pillar 2

*Picture: Margarete **Schätzler**; Kai **Strüngmann**; both: Chairs, AmCham Germany Tax Committee; Félicie **Bonnet**.*



September 17, 2025 Berlin

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee Meeting with Thomas **Müller**, Director-General for Medicine, Medical Products and Biotech, Federal Ministry of Health

TOPICS: Current healthcare and life sciences issues

*From left to right: Pia **Nothing**, Novartis; Markus **Krischer**, Boston Scientific; Maik **Luckow**; Dr. Katrin **Westphal**, Federal Ministry of Health; Dr. Anna **Mattenklotz**, Federal Ministry of Health; Thomas **Müller**; Dr. Clemens **Kuhne**, MSD SHARP & DOHME GMBH; Nicole **Stelzner**, Gilead Sciences; Sebastian **Mörth**, Intuitive Surgical Deutschland GmbH.*

Policy Activities / Committee Meetings



October 13, 2025 Washington, D.C.

AUSA Dinner

The **Aerospace & Defence Committee** and the Förderkreis Deutsches Heer e.V. invited to the AUSA dinner during the Annual Meeting of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

The event was hosted by James E. **Monroe** and former Minister Dirk **Niebel** – both Chairs of AmCham Germany's Aerospace and Defence Committee – and retired Major General Wolfgang **Köpke**, President of the German Army Support Association.

SPEAKERS INCLUDED: Jim **Monroe**; General Heico **Hübner**, Deputy Inspector of the German Army, and Stephen **Hedger**, General Manager of American Rheinmetall Defense.

Since 2013, the dinner held alongside the AUSA Annual Meeting has offered an opportunity to discuss transatlantic cooperation in defense, military technology, and security policy.

Picture: During the AUSA dinner.



October 14, 2025 Berlin

Digital Policy Committee Meeting with Jeanne **Dillschneider**, MdB, Alliance 90/The Greens Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current issues in digital policy

*Pictured: Nina **Keim**, Chair Digital Policy Committee and Jeanne **Dillschneider**.*



October 15, 2025 Berlin

Energy and Climate Committee Meeting with Fabian **Gramling**, MdB, Member of the Committee on Economic Affairs and Energy, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current issues in energy policy, decarbonization of industry and competitiveness

*Pictured: Finja **Westerhove**, AmCham Germany; Maik **Luckow**, AmCham Germany; Dr. Birgit **Ortlieb**, Chair Energy and Climate Committee; Fabian **Gramling**; Lars **Purkarthofer**, UPS; Christiane **Landsberg**, Chair Energy and Climate Committee; Robert **Stiller**, BASF; Hannes **Bächle**, Mahle; Jürgen **Germann**, 3M.*

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November 11, 2025 Berlin

Digital Policy Committee Meeting with Hansjörg Durz, MdB, CSU/CDU Parliamentary Group, Chair of the Committee on Digital Affairs and State Modernization

TOPICS: Current issues in digital policy

Pictured: Nina Keim, Chair Digital Policy Committee and Hansjörg Durz.



November 26, 2025 Berlin

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee Meeting with Simone Borchardt, spokesperson for Health Policy, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group
TOPICS: Current healthcare and life sciences issues

Picture: During the meeting.



December 4, 2025 Berlin

Tax Committee Meeting with Dr. Kunka Petkova, Advisor at German Federal Ministry of Finance, and Parsa Marvi, MdB, Member of the Finance Committee, SPD Parliamentary Group
TOPICS: Current issues in tax policy

↑ (from left to right): Kai Strüngmann (UPS), Chair Tax Committee; Dr. Kunka Petkova; Margarete Schätzler (PwC Deutschland) Chair Tax Committee.

← Parsa Marvi, MdB, discussing with members of the Tax Committee.

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December 15, 2025 Berlin

Trade & Strategic Competitiveness Committee Meeting with Dr. Berend **Diekmann**, and Dr. Bettina **Stuchtey**, Heads of Division for North America, General Issues of External Economic Policy, OECD, G7, G20, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs

TOPICS: Current development in transatlantic trade relations

*From left to right: Dr. Bettina **Stuchtey**; Bettina **Gommlich**, Chair Trade and Strategic Competitiveness Committee; Dr. Berend **Diekmann**; Sina **Frank**, Cisco.*



December 17, 2025 Berlin

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee Meeting with Dr. Gesa **Miehe-Nordmeyer**, Directorate-General for Social, Health, Labour Market, Environmental and Societal Policy, Federal Chancellery

TOPICS: Current healthcare and life sciences issues

*Pictured: Dr. Gesa **Miehe-Nordmeyer** discussing with members of the Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee.*



December 18, 2025 Berlin

Aerospace and Defence Committee Meeting with Andreas **Schwarz**, MdB, Deputy Member of the Budget Committee and Deputy Member of the Defense Committee from the SPD Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: The role of transatlantic partners in defense cooperation

*Pictured: Andreas **Schwarz**, MdB (middle); Dr. Elisabeth **Hauschild**, Jim **Monroe**, both Aerospace & Defense Committee Chairs.*

Policy Activities / Committee Meetings



December 18, 2025 Berlin

Digital Policy Committee Meeting with Johannes Schätzl, MdB, Digital Policy Spokesperson of the SPD Parliamentary Group
TOPICS: Current issues in digital policy

Pictured: Nina Keim, Chair Digital Policy Committee; and Johannes Schätzl, MdB.



February 26, 2026 Berlin

Digital Policy Committee Meeting with Marco-Alexander Breit, Head of Digital Policy and Economic Affairs, Federal Ministry for Digital Affairs and State Modernization
TOPICS: Current issues in digital policy

From left to right: Wolfgang Percy Ott, Chair Digital Policy Committee, and Head of Government Affairs Germany, Cisco Systems GmbH; Marco-Alexander Breit; Nina Keim, Chair Digital Policy Committee, and Director Government Affairs & Public Policy, Salesforce.com Germany GmbH.



January 26, 2026 Berlin

Aerospace & Defense Committee Meeting with Roderich Kiesewetter, MdB, and Member of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current challenges in the realm of national and international security

From left to right: Ferdinand Gehringer, FTI-Consulting; Wolfgang Percy Ott, Cisco Systems GmbH; Thomas Derlin, GSK Stockmann Rechtsanwälte/ Steuerberater; Dirk Niebel; Roderich Kiesewetter, MdB; Jim Monroe; Maik Luckow; Marianne Berg, Boeing.

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March 10, 2026 Berlin

Energy and Climate Committee Meeting with Dr. Dominic **Ponattu**, Head of Division 42 Innovation, Industry, Energy Policy, Transport, and Research at the Federal Chancellery

TOPICS: Current issues in industrial and energy policy

Pictured: Dr. Ponattu, Federal Chancellery



March 16, 2026 Berlin

Energy and Climate Committee Meeting with Dr. Thomas **Gebhart**, MdB, CDU/CSU parliamentary group coordinator on the Committee on the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection

TOPICS: Current issues in environmental and climate policy

Pictured: Dr. Gebhart, MdB.



March 17, 2026 Berlin

Aerospace and Defence Committee Meeting with Thomas **Erndl**, MdB, Spokesperson for defense policy from the CDU/CSU-Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current defense issues

*From left to right: Dirk **Niebel**; Chair of AmCham Germany's Aerospace and Defence Committee; Thomas **Erndl**, MdB; Jim **Monroe**, Chair of AmCham Germany's Aerospace and Defence Committee.*



March 20, 2026 Berlin

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee Meeting with Simone **Borchardt**, Spokesperson for Health Policy, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current healthcare and life sciences issues

*Pictured: Members of the Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee with Simone **Borchardt** (middle) and Dorothee **Stamm**, Committee Chair; Sebastian **Zirfas**, Pfizer.*

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March 26, 2026 Berlin

Aerospace and Defense Committee Meeting with Dr. Nils Schmid, MdB, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Defence

TOPICS: Current issues in defense policy

From left to right: Lars Sommerfeld, Government Director, Federal Ministry of Defense; Parliamentary State Secretary Dr. Nils Schmid, MdB, Federal Ministry of Defense; Wolfgang Percy Ott, Head of Government Affairs, Cisco Systems GmbH.



April 13, 2026 Berlin

Digital Policy Committee Meeting with Henri Schmidt, MdB, Member on the Committee of Digitalization and Government as well as Deputy Member on the Committee for Defense, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current issues in digital policy

From left to right: Wolfgang Percy Ott; Digital Policy Committee Chair; Henri Schmidt, MdB; and Nina Keim, Digital Policy Committee Chair.



April 24, 2026 Berlin

Aerospace and Defense Committee Meeting with Thomas Röwekamp, MdB, Chairman on the Committee for Defense, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current issues in defense policy

From left to right: Dr. Christian von Wistinghausen, Advant Beiten; Dr. Joachim Peter, Brunswick Group; Thomas Röwekamp, MdB; Malte Engelmann, Office Manager for T. Röwekamp.

April 22, 2026 Berlin

Healthcare & Life Sciences Committee Meeting with Matthias Mieves, Deputy Spokesperson for Health Policy, SPD-Parliamentary Group

TOPICS: Current healthcare and life sciences issues

From left to right: Wolfgang Reinert, AbbVie; Matthias Mieves, MdB; Cornelia Yzer, Luther; and Sebastian Moerth, intuitive.



Policy Activities / Top Level Meetings

In Dialogue with Political Leaders

Our Top Level Meeting series provides AmCham Germany's leadership exclusive access to the highest political levels in Germany and the U.S. In these Top Level Meetings, we illustrate the particular importance of U.S.-German business relations and free trade as an important pillar of our shared economic success. In addition, we use these high-level forums to discuss how Germany can remain an attractive investment location and foster a fair and competitive business environment.



July 10, 2025 Berlin

Meeting with Manuel Hagel, MdL, Chairman of the CDU Parliamentary Group in the State Parliament of Baden-Württemberg

Manuel **Hagel**, CDU Parliamentary Group Leader in Baden-Württemberg's State Parliament met for an exchange with AmCham Germany General Manager Daniel **Andrich**. Discussions focused on Baden-Württemberg's role as a leading business location and strategies to enhance competitiveness in the region and across Germany.

*Pictured: Manuel **Hagel**, MdL; Daniel **Andrich**, AmCham Germany.*



September 10, 2025 Berlin

Meeting with Metin Hakverdi, Coordinator of Transatlantic Cooperation, Federal Foreign Office

AmCham Germany President Simone Menne met with Metin **Hakverdi**, MdB, Transatlantic Coordinator of the Federal Foreign Office on the occasion of the transatlantic reception hosted by the Federal Foreign Office.

The exchange reaffirmed the importance of open dialogue and strong transatlantic relations — a cornerstone for navigating today's global dynamics.

*Pictured: Metin **Hakverdi**; Simone **Menne**.*

Policy Activities / Top Level Meetings



September 18, 2025 Berlin

Chairpersons Meeting with Metin Hakverdi, Coordinator of Transatlantic Cooperation, Federal Foreign Office in Berlin

The chairpersons engaged in an exchange with the Transatlantic Coordinator on current transatlantic and economic issues.

*From left to right: Dr. Malte **Strüber**, Andersen GmbH Rechtsberatung Steuerberatung; Dorothee **Stamm**, Medtronic GmbH; Nina **Keim**, Salesforce.com Germany GmbH; Anna **Kley**, Lilly; Daniel **Andrich**, AmCham Germany; Metin **Hakverdi**; Jim **Monroe**, Monroe Atlantic GmbH; Philipp **Braun**, Solventum Germany GmbH.*



January 19, 2026 Hamburg

Exclusive exchange with Dr. Christopher Schwieger, State Secretary at the Ministry of Economics, Labour and Innovation of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and U.S. Consul General Scott Woodard

The New Year's Reception in Hamburg provided a fitting setting to further strengthen our dialogue on transatlantic relations, highlighted by an exclusive pre-discussion with Dr. Christopher **Schwieger** and U.S. Consul General Scott **Woodard**.

*From left to right: Simone **Menne**, President AmCham Germany; Dr. Christoph Schwieger; Dr. Maximilian **Rothkopf**; U.S. Consul General Scott **Woodard**, U.S. Consul General; Dr. Henning C. **Schneider**.*



March 10, 2026 Berlin

Top Level Meeting with Katherina Reiche, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy in Berlin
Selected representatives from U.S. member companies in Germany discussed with Federal Minister Katherina **Reiche** current developments in transatlantic trade policy, the important role that U.S. companies play in enhancing competitiveness in Germany and the EU, and how we can continue to foster attractive business conditions in Germany and beyond.

*From left to right: Adrian **Müller**, Geschäftsführer, HP Germany, Austria, Switzerland; Christin **Schack**, Vice President & Managing Director Central Europe Region; 3M Deutschland GmbH; Patrick **van der Loo**, Vorsitzender der Geschäftsführung, Pfizer Deutschland GmbH; Simone **Menne**, President, AmCham Germany; Dr. Michael **Haidinger**, President, Boeing Germany, Central & Eastern Europe Boeing Deutschland GmbH; Federal Minister Katherina **Reiche**; Andreas **Schwaiger**, Vice President, Managing Director Germany, Texas Instruments Deutschland GmbH; David **Knowler**; Partner & Managing Director, Cerberus Deutschland Beteiligungsberatung GmbH; Daniel **Andrich**, General Manager AmCham Germany; Astrid **Teckentrup**, Senior Vice President, Procter & Gamble DACH.*

Policy Activities / Top Level Meetings



March 26, 2026 Berlin

Chairpersons Meeting with Ellen House, USTR Director for Europe, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and Michael Sullivan, Economic Minister Counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Berlin

General Manager Daniel **Andrich** and our Policy Committee Chairs discussed current developments in transatlantic trade and business relations.

*From left to right: Matthew L. **Williger**, U.S. Embassy in Berlin; Ellen **House**, USTR; Michael **Sullivan**, U.S. Embassy in Berlin; Christian **Semmler**, U.S. Embassy in Berlin.*

**POLICY COMMITTEE
ACTIVITIES 2025/2026**

6

HIGH PROFILE POLICY COMMITTEES

25+

HIGH-LEVEL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

REPRESENTING TRANSATLANTIC BUSINESS

From keeping our members informed on what matters most to promoting dialogue with political leaders, AmCham Germany's advocacy work is committed to supporting fair and free trade between the U.S. and Europe and promoting a regulatory framework that encourages investment and fosters economic growth.

AmCham Germany's public affairs and government relations activities revolve around the work of six specialized Policy Committees. The Policy Committees constitute AmCham Germany's forum for discussing and defining policy recommendations on critical transatlantic business and government issues.

MORE INFO >>

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Policy Activities / Top Level Meetings



From left to right: Dr. Clemens **Doepgen**; Maik **Luckow**; Julian-Béla **Joswig**, MdB, Alliance 90/ The Greens Parliamentary Group; Dr. Christina **Gommlich**; Philipp **Mittag**; Margarete **Schätzler**; Henri **Schmidt**, MdB, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group.



Pictured: Parliamentary State Secretary Stefan **Rouenhoff**, MdB, CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group; Simone **Menne**, President, AmCham Germany; and Daniel **Andrich**, General Manager, AmCham Germany.

Parliamentary Breakfast with Newly Elected Members of Parliament

On May 21, 2025, AmCham Germany hosted a Parliamentary Breakfast for newly elected members of the 21st Bundestag from the Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, CDU/CSU and SPD. Stefan **Rouenhoff**, MdB, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy and Daniel **Andrich**, General Manager, AmCham Germany, welcomed the guests and opened the event with insightful remarks. AmCham Germany President Simone **Menne** highlighted AmCham Germany's role, structure, and strategic priorities.

Our Policy Committee Chairs presented their key priorities:

Aerospace & Defense – James E. **Monroe**
 Digital Policy – Nina **Keim**
 Energy & Climate – Christiane **Landsberg**
 Healthcare & Life Sciences – Dorothee **Stamm**
 Tax – Margarete **Schätzler**
 Trade – Dr. Christina **Gommlich**

MODERATOR: Philipp **Braun**, Policy Adviser

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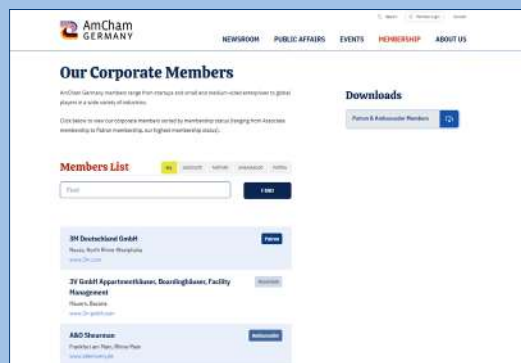
AmCham Germany's **Patron** Members and Ambassador Members not only benefit from maximum visibility within our network, but also receive access to the most exclusive member benefits. Upgrading to **Patron** and Ambassador membership is available for all members.

AmCham Germany is member-led and member-driven. Our members are the foundation of our work and mission to promote global trade relations based on the deeply rooted American-German partnership. Our members share a common interest in the continued advancement of business relations between the United States and Germany.

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

AmCham Germany members range from startups and small and medium-sized enterprises to global players in a wide variety of industries.

An overview of AmCham Germany's corporate members is provided on our website.



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DVKG Deutsche Visa und Konsular
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 Nexia
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 Contracting GmbH
 Thermo Fisher Scientific
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 TLI Steuerberatungsgesellschaft
 Traton
 TRUMPF
 Uber
 UBS Europe
UL International
 UniCredit Bank
United Parcel Service
 Value Retail Management
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(list as of April 2026)

2026 Annual Membership Certificate Recipients

AmCham Germany enjoys a long tradition of support from its strong membership base which includes numerous companies with memberships dating as far back as 75+ years. Annually, AmCham Germany honors a select group of its longstanding members and expresses an additional degree of gratitude to them for their ongoing support over the past decade, and multiples thereof. We look forward to many more years of successful cooperation with these members and all our members. Our work and activities would not be possible without their support.

In 2026, these companies and *individuals* celebrate the following anniversaries:

FACTS

Did you know how long our members have been with us?

68% for 10+ years

44% for 20+ years

25% for 30+ years

14% for 40+ years

9% for 50+ years

(as of April 2026)

75 YEARS

Messe Frankfurt GmbH

70 YEARS

Honeywell Deutschland Holding GmbH
Johnson & Johnson Medical GmbH
KRONOS INTERNATIONAL, Inc.

60 YEARS

DuPont Deutschland Holding GmbH & Co. KG
Baker Hughes INTEQ GmbH
McKinsey & Company, Inc.
Texas Instruments Deutschland GmbH

75 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

“For 75 years, the partnership of Messe Frankfurt with AmCham Germany has reflected our strong commitment to transatlantic cooperation.

With our subsidiary in Atlanta, we reinforce our U.S. presence and foster innovation, exchange, and enduring economic ties between Europe and America.”



Detlef Braun, Board of Management
Messe Frankfurt GmbH

70 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

“Since establishing our presence in Germany 70 years ago, Johnson & Johnson has greatly valued AmCham Germany as a trusted partner.

Their network and advocacy have been instrumental in our journey. We celebrate this milestone

and look forward to continuing our collaboration to build a healthier, more prosperous future together.”



Lars Leppin, General Manager
Surgery Germany
Johnson & Johnson Medical GmbH

50 YEARS

Airbus Defence and Space GmbH
Mattel GmbH
Siemens AG

40 YEARS

Funk Gruppe GmbH
Hoeger, Stellrecht & Partner Patentanwälte mbB

30 YEARS

Bristol-Myers Squibb GmbH & Co. KGaA
 Buchart Horn GmbH
 CA Computer Associates European Holding GmbH
Freund, Ralph Claudius
Gehlert, Andreas
 German American Chamber of Commerce of the
 Southern United States, Inc. Atlanta Office
 Herbalife International Deutschland GmbH
Matz, Stefan
 Prey & Beheim Steuerberatungsgesellschaft mbH
Schulze, Olaf A. D.
 TBP Betriebs GmbH Hotel
 Taschenbergpalais Kempinski Dresden
Weyrauch, Joachim
 Wieland Unternehmens- und Personalberatung

70 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

“Celebrating 70 years with AmCham Germany reflects Honeywell’s enduring commitment to Germany. With deep roots spanning decades and a significant industrial footprint, Honeywell has always been here for the long term—and committed to AmCham Germany as a transatlantic bridge..”



Axel Brugger, Head of Government
 Relations Europe BA
Honeywell Deutschland GmbH

25 YEARS

A&O Shearman
 Alfred Kärcher SE & Co. KG
 American Institute For Foreign Study (Deutschland)
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Bilinski, Sven
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 Law, Advocats à la Cour
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Glück, Hartmut A.
 Grant Thornton AG Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft
Kraft, Stefan
 Lateinamerika Verein e.V.
 Lazard & Co. GmbH
Mayer-Klenk, Stephan
Müller, Jörg
 SelectFlorida (Germany Office)
 Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
 TMF Deutschland AG
 Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP
 Wesch & Buchenroth Rechtsanwälte
 Partnerschaftsgesellschaft mbB
 WRC World Resources Company GmbH

20 YEARS

Becton Dickinson GmbH
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 Covington & Burling LLP
 Google Germany GmbH
 Graf Kanitz, Schüppen & Partner Rechtsanwälte
 Wirtschaftsprüfer Steuerberater
 Henkel AG & Co. KGaA
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Lemke, Reinhard H.
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 Ochs, Günter
 Radosevic, Ivan
 Rheingau Musik Festival Konzertgesellschaft mbH

70 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

“For 70 years, the KRONOS Group has been a proud member of AmCham Germany. This long-standing partnership represents continuous exchange, mutual trust, and a strong transatlantic network. We greatly appreciate the work of AmCham Germany and thank them for their dedicated support and the valuable impulses they have provided to businesses for decades.”



Ulrich Kabelac, VP Global Operations
KRONOS INTERNATIONAL, Inc.

ROTTHEGE Partnerschaftsgesellschaft mbB
Schmidt, Bernd

10 YEARS

Abbott GmbH
 Adecco Germany Holding SA & Co. KG
 Amazon Deutschland Services GmbH
 Bavarian International School gAG
Gilbert, Becky Ann
Hollmann, Hermann H. (Honorary Member)
 Kleinbongartz & Kaiser oHG KUKKO-Werkzeugfabrik
 KSB INTAX von Bismarck Rechtsanwälte Wirtschafts-
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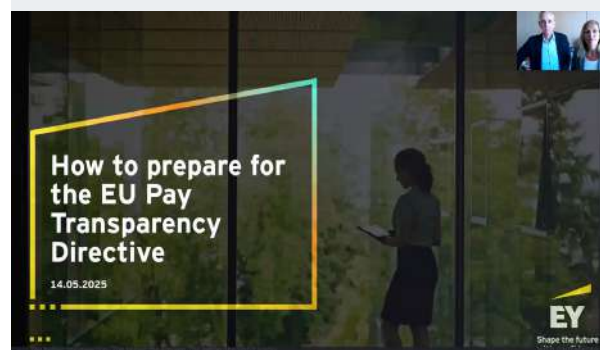
A Year in Review

Expert Briefings and Expert Webinars are member-driven events that allow companies to reach a captive audience of AmCham Germany members while sharing in-depth information and knowledge on current developments in corporate, economic, and legal issues.

This membership benefit is exclusively reserved for members at Partner, Ambassador or Patron level.

» Customized Event to Promote Expert Exchange and Increase Member Visibility

- Consultation on topic selection, timing of the event, and speaker options
- Invitation and event promotion support including a customizable AmCham Germany distribution list
- **Optional:** Registration management
- **Optional:** Scouting of facilities, organization of tech equipment & catering (*additional costs apply*)
- Event promotion in the AmCham Germany online event calendar, via AmCham Germany's LinkedIn account, and on the AmCham Germany website
- Publication of event recap report on AmCham Germany homepage and LinkedIn, shortly after the event. Member company produces event report with a minimum of 250 words.
- All Expert Briefings are also included in AmCham Germany's in-print publication, the *Annual Report*.



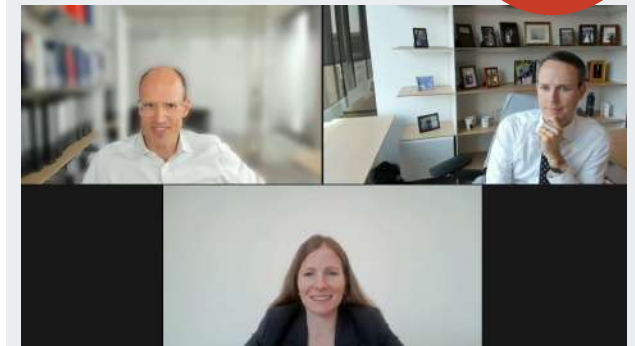
The Transparency Directive and Its Impact on Companies in the European Union

Expert Webinar with Ernst & Young (EY)
(May 14, 2025) **virtual**

In this webinar, Bärbel Kuhlmann, EY Law's Regional Lead Partner and Jens Massmann, Germany Rewards & People Transactions Leader, covered key aspects of the Transparency Directive. After starting with an overview of the EU Pay Transparency Directive to establish a foundational understanding, they addressed the new reporting requirements for companies regarding pay gaps and the frequency of disclosures. A significant focus of the webinar was on identifying employee groups that perform equal work or work of equal value and evaluating jobs accurately. This informative webinar served as a platform for businesses to prepare for the changes ahead, ensuring they are equipped to navigate the complexities of the Transparency Directive and foster a more equitable workplace.

SPEAKERS:

- Bärbel **Kuhlmann**, Regional Lead Partner, EY;
- Jens **Massmann**, Germany Rewards & People Transactions Leader, EY.



Left to right: Henning Bloss; Jonathan Wakely; Allison Schiffmann

U.S. Cross-Border M&A

Expert Webinar with Covington & Burling LLP
(June 23, 2025) **virtual**

Over the past years, there has been a trend of companies headquartered in Germany looking for M&A targets in the U.S. to gain access to the U.S. market. This trend has continued in 2025 and may even increase in light of current U.S. tariff-policies. U.S. cross-border M&A transactions pose a variety of cultural, structural, regulatory (such as CFIUS), and legal deal challenges.

Speakers discussed key aspects of U.S. deals, including differences between public and private transactions, illustrated through a reverse triangular merger. They highlighted major contrasts between U.S. and German deals—such as cultural and legal approaches, liability limits, escrow, and W&I insurance. Regulatory issues in transatlantic deals were also covered, focusing on tariffs, political risks, antitrust, and especially CFIUS. The growing impact of CFIUS, particularly in sectors like healthcare, tech, and defense, was illustrated along with strategies to mitigate risk through early assessments.

SPEAKERS:

- Henning **Bloss**, Partner, Covington, Frankfurt;
- Allison **Schiffman**, Partner, Covington, New York;
- Jonathan **Wakely**, Partner, Covington, Washington D.C.

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From left to right: Dr. Daniel **Ashkar**; Prof. Dr. Dieter **Kugelmann**; Dr. Sven **Polenz**; Dr. Christian **Schröder**.

Navigating Supervisory Procedures by Data Protection Authorities

Expert Webinar with Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe (June 26, 2025) **virtual**

In this Expert Webinar, speakers discussed supervisory procedures conducted by data protection authorities under the EU General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”). The session offered insights into how supervisory authorities approach investigations, providing companies with a clearer understanding of their expectations.

SPEAKERS:

- Dr. Daniel **Ashkar**, Counsel, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, Munich;
- Prof. Dr. Dieter **Kugelmann**, State Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information Rhineland-Palatinate;
- Dr. Sven **Polenz**, Division Head at the Independent Centre for Data Protection Schleswig-Holstein;
- Dr. Christian **Schröder**, Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, Dusseldorf.



From left to right: Willem **Gerritsen**; Dr. Anastassia **Lauterbach-Lang**; Dirk **Prause**.

The AI-Powered Boardroom: Shaping the Future of Governance and C-Suite Decision-Making

Expert Webinar with Diligent Boardbooks (September 4, 2025) **virtual**

In this webinar, the speakers focused on topics such as integrating AI into boardroom strategies, balancing technological advancements with human judgment, and preparing for future developments in AI governance. Participants gained insights through real-world examples of the utilization of AI in improving the accuracy and efficiency of board decisions. The speakers highlighted the importance of staying informed about AI developments to effectively incorporate new technologies into governance practices. By thoughtfully integrating AI technologies, boards can enhance their decision-making processes while upholding ethical standards and human oversight.

SPEAKERS:

- Dr. Anastassia **Lauterbach-Lang**, CEO and founder, AI Edutainment;
- Willem **Gerritsen**, Senior Solutions Engineer, Diligent.

MODERATOR:

- Dirk **Prause**, Senior Manager Sales DACH, Diligent



From left to right: Sabine **Paul**; Sarah **O’Neill**; Jasmin **Wilhelm**; Heather **Liermann**.

Navigating New Frontiers: Understanding U.S. Immigration Policy Changes Under President Trump

Expert Webinar with KPMG Law (September 17, 2025) **virtual**

The webinar provided valuable insights into current practices at USCIS and U.S. consulates, helping companies navigate the changing U.S. immigration landscape. Experts from KPMG Law outlined the major shifts in U.S. immigration policy during the first eight months of President Trump’s second term, highlighting the impact on international travel and business operations. Key changes include new travel restrictions, heightened scrutiny of applicants’ social media activity, and stricter immigration compliance. Businesses relying on foreign talent are encouraged to stay informed and plan proactively amid these developments.

SPEAKERS:

- Sarah **O’Neill**, Manager;
- Sabine **Paul**, Partner;
- Jasmin **Wilhelm**, Associate; all of KPMG Law.

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From left to right: Agnes **Herwig**; Alexander **Wolff**; Heather **Liermann**, AmCham Germany.

EWC Directive Revisions – What to Expect

Expert Webinar with Baker McKenzie
(October 16, 2025) **virtual**

The Expert Webinar session provided valuable insights into the newly adopted European Works Council (EWC) Directive, following its formal approval by the European Council and Parliament. Participants learned about the expanded role of EWCs in transnational restructurings and the compliance risks for multinational companies. Key takeaways included the expected renegotiation of existing EWC agreements, potential delays in corporate actions, and the importance of preparing for stricter consultation requirements. The session offered practical guidance for employers navigating these significant regulatory changes.

SPEAKERS:

- Agnes **Herwig**, MBA, Partner Employment Law, Baker McKenzie Frankfurt;
- Dr. Alexander **Wolff**, Partner Employment Law Berlin and Managing Partner, Baker McKenzie Berlin.



From left to right: Heather **Liermann**; Hannah **Johnston**; Gersi **Dymi**; Dr. Alexander **Deicke**.

Transforming Board Reporting: AI-Driven Insights and Best Practices for Governance Teams

Expert Webinar with Diligent Boardbooks
(October 30, 2025) **virtual**

Board reporting sits at the center of good governance, but producing accurate, timely, and actionable reports is becoming more complex across regions and regulatory landscapes. In this Expert Webinar, the speakers explored how AI is reshaping board reporting for governance professionals worldwide. They discussed how automation and intelligent data processing are helping teams standardize reporting, improve accuracy, and save time across multiple jurisdictions. The panel emphasized the importance of oversight, explainability, and human verification in integrating AI tools responsibly within governance workflows.

SPEAKERS:

- Dr. Alexander **Deicke**, Attorney and Business Economist;
- Gersi **Dymi**; Account Executive, Diligent;
- Hannah **Johnston**; Customer Success Manager, Diligent.



From left to right, up to down: Matthias **Schreiber**; Margarete **Schätzler**; Heather **Liermann**; Marcel **Misere**.

International Tax Highlights: Current Tax Topics for U.S. Inbound Investments into Germany

Expert Webinar with PwC
(November 12, 2025) **virtual**

This Expert Webinar featured the latest developments in international taxation, which included a specific emphasis on U.S. inbound investments into Germany. Together with three seasoned tax experts, Marcel Misere, Mathias Schreiber, and Margarete Schätzler provided key updates on Germany's P2 regulatory framework, tax rate reductions, and judicial decisions. Participants also gained insights into substance requirements for withholding tax exemptions, thereby empowering U.S. enterprises with the critical insights necessary to effectively navigate Germany's evolving tax landscape with strategic precision.

SPEAKERS:

- Marcel **Misere**, Partner, International Corporate Tax;
- Margarete **Schätzler**, International Tax Partner and Chair of AmCham Germany's Tax Committee;
- Mathias **Schreiber**, Partner, International Tax, all at PwC Germany.

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From left to right, up to down: Sarah **O'Neill**; Jasmin **Wilhelm**; Heather **Liermann**, AmCham Germany; Sabine **Paul**.

Unwrapping U.S. Immigration: Insights from 2025 and Outlook for 2026

Expert Webinar with KPMG Law
(December 11, 2025) **virtual**

This webinar explored significant shifts in U.S. immigration throughout 2025 and provided insights for 2026, focusing on the latest updates and strategies for navigating the evolving landscape. Experts shared detailed analyses of USCIS approval and denial rates, particularly for H, L, and O visa categories, and offered practical advice on visa appointments, U.S. travel best practices, and the Global Entry program. Looking ahead, the session addressed the extended application of “Travel Ban 2.0”, enhanced ESTA screening, and the impact of the 2026 FIFA World Cup on immigration processes, emphasizing the importance of staying informed and adapting to changes. The webinar concluded with discussions on the end of EAD automatic extensions and evolving H-1B visa policies, underscoring the need for vigilance in managing immigration strategies.

SPEAKERS:

- Sabine **Paul**, Partner, KPMG Law;
- Sarah **O'Neill**, Manager, KPMG Law;
- Jasmin **Wilhelm**, Associate, KPMG Law.



During the Expert Briefing.

European Merger Activity and the Current U.S. Administration – Strategic Implications for Leaders in 2026

Expert Briefing with Teneo
(February 3, 2026) **Frankfurt**

AmCham Germany and Teneo Germany hosted an Expert Briefing on European merger activity and the strategic implications of the current U.S. administration for transatlantic M&A in 2026. Robert Mead, Chairman, Americas at Teneo, shared insights on how geopolitical changes, regulatory scrutiny, and activism dynamics are reshaping cross-border transactions. The discussion highlighted the importance of proactive stakeholder engagement, integrated communications strategies, and Board-level preparedness in complex deal environments.

SPEAKERS:

- Robert **Mead**, Chairman, Americas with Teneo;
- Felix **Schönauer**, CEO, Teneo Germany.



During the Expert Briefing: Nadja **Litsch**; Svenja **Lindtner** (right).

Germany vs. USA: Differences, Risks, and Pitfalls in the Taxation of Transatlantic Activities

Expert Webinar with RSM Ebner Stolz
(February 12, 2026) **virtual**

In this Expert Webinar, RSM Ebner Stolz’s International Tax experts provided a practical overview of key differences between the tax systems of Germany and the USA, highlighting typical risk areas and pitfalls in transatlantic tax matters. The session addressed compliance challenges, reporting requirements, and the risk of double taxation for individuals and organizations engaging in cross-border activities.

SPEAKERS:

- Nadja **Litsch**, Certified Tax Advisor, Certified Advisor in International Taxation, and Partner at RSM Ebner Stolz in Stuttgart;
- Svenja **Lindtner**, Certified Tax Advisor and Senior Manager at RSM Ebner Stolz in Karlsruhe.

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Jonathan **Whitear**, HYLAND.

Governing AI, Unlocking Value: Secure Unstructured Data in an EU-U.S. World

Expert Webinar with HYLAND
(March 24, 2026) **virtual**

This webinar explored how organizations can unlock business value from unstructured data using AI while meeting governance, security, and regulatory requirements across the EU and U.S. It highlighted why outcome driven use cases, focused on everyday tasks and measurable ROI, outperform technology led experimentation. The session also addressed key risks, guardrails, and responsibilities under emerging regulations, showing how effective AI governance can move enterprises from compliance to competitive advantage.

SPEAKERS:

- Carine **Kriegenhofer**, Director, International Marketing, HYLAND;
- Jonathan **Whitear**, AI specialist EMEA and APAC, HYLAND.



From left to right: Heather **Liermann**, Katharina **Vorländer**, Ruben **Fiedler**.

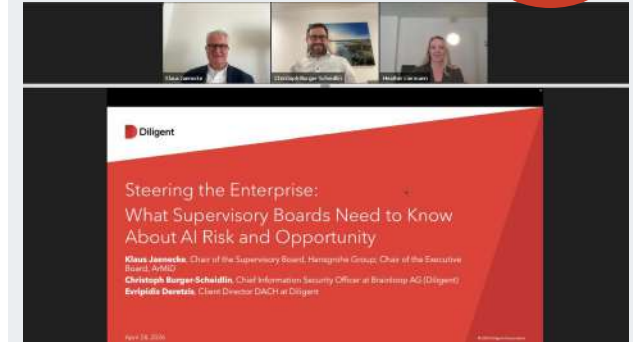
Global Talent Mobility: Bringing International Professionals to Germany

Expert Webinar with Fragomen Global LLP
(April 16, 2026) **virtual**

This webinar explored key legal considerations when transferring U.S. professionals to Germany, focusing on immigration requirements, compliance, and procedural challenges. The speakers outlined common pitfalls in selecting appropriate residence titles and managing documentation, while also sharing best practices to ensure smooth and efficient processes. The session provided practical guidance for companies aiming to minimize legal risks and delays when relocating talent across borders.

SPEAKERS:

- Katharina **Vorländer**, Lawyer and Senior Manager, Fragomen Frankfurt office;
- Ruben **Fiedler**, Senior Associate, Fragomen Frankfurt office.



From left to right: Klaus **Jaenecke**; Christoph **Burger-Scheidlin**; and Heather **Liermann**.

Steering the Enterprise: What Supervisory Boards Need

Expert Webinar with Diligent
(April 28, 2026) **virtual**

In this Expert Webinar governance and cybersecurity experts explored how supervisory boards can strategically oversee AI risks and opportunities. Using concrete examples, they discussed the changing risk landscape, the implications of the EU AI Act, and the importance of data hygiene, AI literacy at board level and clear governance structures. Participants received practical questions and frameworks to embed AI responsibly into strategy, risk management and board oversight.

SPEAKERS:

- Christoph **Burger-Scheidlin**, Chief Information Security Officer, Brainloop AG (Diligent);
- Evripidis **Deretzis**, Client Director DACH, Diligent;
- Klaus **Jaenecke**, Chair of the Supervisory Board, Hansgrohe Group; Chair of the Executive Board, ArMiD.

MORE INFO >>

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Infrastructure for Longevity

Changing Requirements for Buildings and Urban Infrastructure

Demographic change and increasing life expectancy are reshaping the requirements for cities, buildings and infrastructure in Germany. As societies age, accessibility and reliability in everyday mobility become critical factors for economic participation, social inclusion and quality of life. Longevity, therefore, is not only a social trend, but a structural framework condition for urban development and long-term investment decisions.

Vertical Mobility in Existing Buildings and Long-Term Use

Vertical mobility plays a central role

in ensuring that residential buildings, public infrastructure and workplaces remain usable across all stages of life. In a country where a large share of the building stock was constructed decades ago, the challenge lies less in new construction than in maintaining and upgrading existing infrastructure. Elevators and escalators are an essential part of this equation, enabling barrier-free access, safe movement and continuous functionality in daily use.

Reliable mobility for a changing world

As a global provider of elevators and escalators with a strong local

presence in Germany, Otis supports building owners, operators and cities in adapting existing infrastructure to long-term demographic and urban change. The focus lies on modernization, reliability and availability over the entire lifecycle of buildings, helping to ensure that infrastructure can meet evolving requirements over decades.

Future-ready infrastructure begins in everyday life. Addressing longevity means creating built environments that provide broader access for everyone – today and in the years to come.

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LONGEVITY
ACCESSIBILITY
URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE
MODERNIZATION
SAFETY & RELIABILITY
LIFECYCLE PARTNERSHIP

FACTS AND FIGURES

Otis in Germany

Employees: 2,400

Headquarter: Berlin, Germany

Branches & Offices: >30

Contact: Christoph Sengstschmid,
Senior Director Sales & Marketing
Central Europe

Otis Worldwide Corporation

Employees: 72,000

Headquarter: Farmington,
Connecticut (USA)

Branches & Offices: >1,400

Top Executive: Judy Marks, Chair,
Chief Executive Officer and President

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OTIS

Communication Activities

AmCham Germany offers its members a variety of content and communication channels. Whether in our newsletters, briefings or articles, we believe that sharing knowledge is the best way to achieve growth and success.

OUR GOALS

AmCham Germany's goals are to support unrestricted trade and investment between the United States and Germany, and to promote a healthy, open and productive business climate between the two countries. AmCham Germany represents the business interests of American firms located in Germany and the U.S. and also acts on behalf of its German members, many of whom maintain significant holdings in the United States.

OUR FOCUS

AmCham Germany provides a strong contribution to current policy debates through its communication activities. We provide a succinct and interesting portrayal of the Chamber's activities and membership and emphasize the importance of strong European-American relations.

OUR TOOLS

Complex transatlantic issues increasingly require an innovative and effective set of communication tools to broadcast our messages. The Chamber continuously advances its thought leadership through a variety of communication tools such as social media, surveys and press activities. The annual report sums up all activities throughout the year.

OUR VISION

As the voice of transatlantic business, AmCham Germany and its German and U.S. member companies advocate for free and rules-based trade and a competitive and open business climate on both sides of the Atlantic across all industries. It is enormously important for the transatlantic partnership to stay in touch and identify common goals.



Communication Activities / Social Media

Social Media

On LinkedIn, AmCham Germany fosters online dialogue and informs its members as well as the general public about Chamber-related activities. Frequent posts ensure AmCham Germany remains a well-recognized name in the public discourse on transatlantic affairs. Social media offers us a unique way to connect with our members and followers.

During the year, our LinkedIn community grew to over 15,000 followers, reflecting increased engagement with our brand and the growing relevance of our insights, initiatives, and thought leadership. This milestone underscores the trust and interest of our stakeholders and strengthens our digital presence.

Social media (overall impressions):

~ 575,000



LinkedIn impressions:

~ 550,000

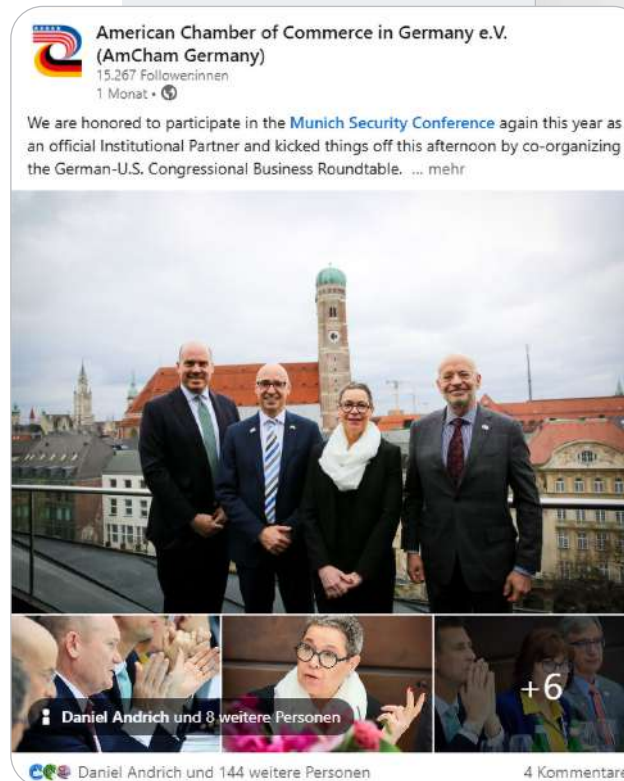
(June 2025 to April 2026)



Selected Top Posts



@AmCham Germany · February 24, 2026



Communication Activities / Trade Statistics

AmCham Germany's Trade Statistics

AmCham Germany's trade statistics showcase the strength and resilience of the transatlantic economy. Drawing on data from multiple sources and partner organizations, we track trade flows, investment trends, and sectoral developments between Germany and the U.S.

Our analysis provides strategic insights to help leaders identify opportunities and navigate a dynamic global market. These figures highlight the pivotal role of U.S.-German trade in driving growth and innovation, reinforcing a partnership at the heart of the global economy.

Our trade statistics are regularly published and shared on our LinkedIn and X channels to ensure broad access and visibility.

Our infographics on trade, exports, and transatlantic relations consistently achieve high impression levels and strong reach among our followers. This underlines the strong relevance of German-American trade for our followers and also demonstrates the high level of interest this topic is currently receiving among the broader LinkedIn audience.

Selected Top Posts



@AmCham Germany · February 23, 2026
GOOD NEWS: The U.S. remained Germany's most important export partner from January-September 2025.

Despite trade tensions and a percentage decrease of 7.8% compared to the previous year, German exports to the United States totaled €112.7 billion from January to September 2025 based on data from the Statistisches Bundesamt (Destatis).

~ 10,000 impressions

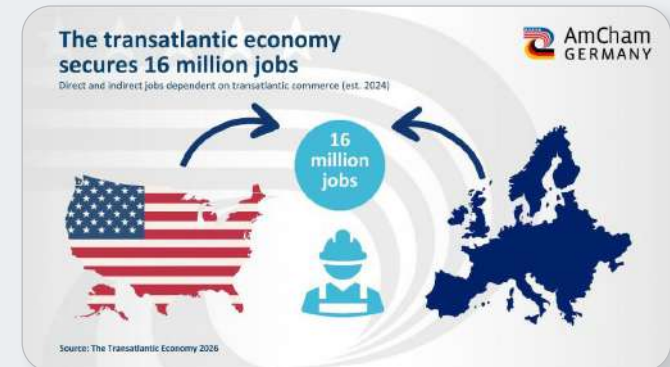


@AmCham Germany · March 4, 2026
DID YOU KNOW: The transatlantic economy secures 16 million jobs.

According to "The Transatlantic Economy 2026," transatlantic investment and trade is responsible for 16 million direct and indirect jobs in the U.S. and Europe.

Despite trade tensions, business relations on both sides of the Atlantic remain strong and the transatlantic economy is closely intertwined. Learn more: <https://transatlantic.amchameu.eu>

~ 2,000 impressions



@AmCham Germany · August 6, 2025
U.S. and Germany Rank Among World's Top 10 Innovative Economies

The Global Innovation Index 2024, published by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), ranks the United States as the world's third most innovative economy and Germany in ninth place. Both countries continue to demonstrate strong leadership in innovation, research, and technology development. Source: WIPO

~ 2,700 impressions



Analysis / U.S.–German Investment Report

Transatlantic Investment: A Long-Standing Pillar of Growth and Innovation in the U.S. and Germany

The 2026 U.S.–German Investment Report highlights the enduring importance of transatlantic investment as a key driver of economic growth, industrial resilience, and technological innovation. In an increasingly uncertain global environment, the report emphasizes that efforts to strengthen national sovereignty must be balanced with recognition of the deep economic interdependence between the United States and Germany.

The German-American relationship remains one of the world's most comprehensive and dynamic economic partnerships, spanning trade and investment across a wide range of critical industries. While themes of tariffs and technological sovereignty have featured prominently in discussions on transatlantic relations over the last year, what is often overlooked is the extent to which the German and U.S. economies are deeply interconnected in key strategic areas. As the most recent data shows, both the **U.S. and Germany continue to rank as top investors in each other's economies worldwide, with substantial and growing commitments to critical manufacturing, employment, research & development, and the digital economy.**

From the report:

The U.S. is Germany's leading outward FDI destination. German primary and secondary direct investment in the U.S. was about EUR 436 billion in 2023, 27% of Germany's worldwide outward FDI stock.

- **The U.S. is Germany's top inward investor.** Companies with headquarters in the U.S. accounted for about EUR 164 billion of investment in Germany in 2023, around 23% of Germany's inward FDI stock on that basis.
- **Employment ties are large on both sides.** German companies employed about 925,100 people in the U.S. in 2023, while U.S. majority-owned affiliates employed about 592,600 people in Germany, the largest U.S. employment base in the EU.
- **Manufacturing** is a major part of the relationship. In 2024, manufacturing made up about 39% of German FDI stock in the U.S. and 27% of U.S. FDI stock in Germany, with notable weight in chemicals, transportation equipment, machinery, and electronics.



The U.S.-German Investment Report was published by AmCham Germany on March 26, 2026. You can download the report (follow link or scan the QR code):

www.amcham.de/fileadmin/user_upload/Publications/2026/US-German_Investment_Report_2026.pdf

Communication Activities / AmCham Germany in the Media

AmCham Germany in the Media

AmCham Germany is a trusted source for journalists seeking expert commentary on transatlantic issues. Our media relations team works closely with journalists to provide timely and insightful information, helping to shape the public discourse on critical topics.

As the media landscape continues to evolve, so too does AmCham Germany's approach to media relations. While traditional media remains important, we are embracing digital platforms to connect with a wider audience.

Handelsblatt/ Wirtschaftswoche, March 8, 2026

Germany's Federal Central Tax Office has reportedly stopped granting tax exemptions for dividends paid by German subsidiaries of U.S. companies to their U.S. parent firms, instead charging about 26% withholding tax. According to Simone Menne, President, AmCham Germany, this likely affects billions of euros and may violate the 2008 U.S.-Germany double taxation agreement. The issue could raise concerns among U.S. companies about the business environment in Germany. AmCham Germany encourages timely clarification to ensure continued confidence in Germany as a reliable investment location and to maintain the strong economic relationship between the two countries.

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Meldungen der Woche

KAPITALERTRAGSTEUER

Steueramt nimmt Dividenden für US-Konzerne ins Visier

Tochtergesellschaften von US-Konzernen erhalten von Deutschland keine steuerliche Freistellung mehr, wenn sie Dividenden an ihre Mütter ausschütten. Seit dem Herbst genehmigt das Bundeszentralamt für Steuern (BZSt) entgegen der bisherigen Praxis offenbar weder Freistellungs- noch Erstattungsanträge für Kapitalgesellschaften, die US-Unternehmen gehören und von diesen wie unselbstständige Betriebsstätten behandelt werden. Damit werden die in die USA fließenden Dividenden mit 26,375 Prozent deutscher Kapitalertragsteuer plus Solidaritätszuschlag belastet. Von „massiven Nachteilen“ spricht die Präsidentin der Amerikanischen Handelskammer in Deutschland (AmCham), Simone Menne. „Insgesamt handelt es sich wahrscheinlich um einen Milliardenbetrag“, so Menne.

Die AmCham-Präsidentin verweist auf das seit 2008 geltende neue Doppelbesteuerungsabkommen zwischen Deutschland und den USA und warnt vor einem „Reputationsschaden für den Standort Deutschland“ in den USA. Fritz Güntzler, finanzpolitischer Sprecher der CDU/CSU-Bundestagsfraktion, spricht von einem „gefährlichen Balanceakt“ des Amts zwischen ordnungsgemäßer Prüfung und Beschädigung des Standorts. Obhin habe die Behörde ein Problem bei der Bearbeitung von Kapitalertragsteuer-Entlastungen. „Wenn Unternehmen bis zu zwei Jahre auf Erstattungen warten müssen, ist das nicht nur bürokratisch, sondern macht Investitionen in Deutschland unattraktiver“, so Güntzler. Besonders ungünstlich sei der Zeitpunkt für den Meinungswandel des Steueramts bezüglich US-Tochterunternehmen: Während der Bundeskanzler in den USA für Investitionen werbe, sende eine Bundesbehörde das gegenteilige Signal. Das BZSt, dem bei den Cum-Ex-Steuerbetrugsfällen eine zögerliche Haltung vorgeworfen worden war, gilt seither bei Fällen von Steuergestaltung als sehr sensibel. Aus dem Bundesfinanzministerium von Lars Klingbeil (SPD) heißt es, das Amt überprüfe die bisherige Praxis „im Hinblick auf mögliche Steuergestaltungen“. Man sei dazu bereits im Austausch mit der US-Steuerbehörde.

C. RAMTHUN



US-Finanzminister Scott Bessent (l.) und Bundesfinanzminister Lars Klingbeil stehen vor dem nächsten transatlantischen Streit um die Besteuerung von Unternehmen

Wirtschafts Woche

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Politik Deutschland
Kapitalertragsteuer

Der Fiskus nimmt Dividenden für US-Konzerne ins Visier

Zwischen Deutschland und den USA droht neuer Ärger: Eine Bundesbehörde kassiert plötzlich 26 Prozent Steuern von US-Tochtergesellschaften. Es geht um Milliarden. Schlägt Washington zurück?

Am Dienstag meisterte Friedrich Merz seinen dritten - weitgehend friedlichen - Besuch bei Donald Trump in Washington D.C. Nun allerdings droht im transatlantischen Verhältnis neue Verstimmung. Es geht dabei um etwas, das dem US-Präsidenten bekanntlich sehr wichtig ist: Geld. Viel Geld.

Viele Tochtergesellschaften von US-Firmen erhalten von Deutschland keine steuerliche Freistellung mehr, wenn sie Dividenden an ihre Mutterkonzerne ausschütten. Seit dem Herbst genehmigt das Bundeszentralamt für Steuern (BZSt) entgegen der bisherigen Praxis offenbar weder Freistellungs- noch Erstattungsanträge, wie die WirtschaftsWoche aus Kreisen betroffener Unternehmen erfährt.

„Insgesamt handelt es sich wahrscheinlich um einen Milliardenbetrag“, sagt Simone Menne, Präsidentin der Amerikanischen Handelskammer in Deutschland (AmCham). Für sie ist die plötzliche Besteuerung durch die deutsche Behörde ein Verstoß gegen das seit 2008 geltende neue Doppelbesteuerungsabkommen zwischen Deutschland und den USA. Umso größer sei die Verwunderung in Washington.

Schaden für Deutschland droht Menne warnt zudem vor einem „Reputationsschaden für den Standort Deutschland“, sowohl in Washington als auch in den Heimat-Bundesstaaten der Unternehmen. „Jetzt sind schnelle, rechtssichere Entscheidungen nötig, um das Verhältnis nicht zu belasten“, fordert sie.

Die transatlantischen Beziehungen könnten tatsächlich schweren Schaden nehmen. Denn die Trump-Regierung reagiert äußerst gereizt, wenn es um die Besteuerung amerikanischer Konzerne durch ausländische Jurisdiktionen geht. Im vorigen Sommer hatte ein Streit um eine Mindestbesteuerung von US-Unternehmen fast zu einem ausgewachsenen Steuerkonflikt geführt. Washington drohte damals mit einer „Vergeltungssteuer“ in Höhe vieler Milliarden Euro. Den Streit konnten die EU-Regierungschefs nur lösen, indem sie US-Konzernen eine Ausnahme von der OECD-Mindeststeuer gestatteten.

Der Auslöser im aktuellen Fall ist eine veränderte Rechtsauslegung der Bundessteuerbehörde, die Bundesfinanzminister Lars Klingbeil (SPD) untersteht. Entgegen der bisherigen Verwaltungspraxis betrifft das BZSt nicht mehr Dividendenzahlungen von bestimmten deutschen Kapitalgesellschaften an ihre Muttergesellschaften in den Vereinigten Staaten. Es geht um die Kapitalertragsteuer samt Soli in Höhe von insgesamt 26,375 Prozent. Keine Kleinigkeit.

Seit einigen Monaten erteilt die Behörde keine Freistellungsbescheinigungen mehr und genehmigt auch keine Rückerstattungen, wenn die Ausschüttungen nicht in den USA direkt versteuert werden. Konkret geht es um Kapitalgesellschaften, die von ihren US-Mutterkonzernen wie unselbstständige Betriebsstätten behandelt werden.

Die deutschen Finanzbeamten vermuten nach eigenen Angaben sogenannte „weiße Einkünfte“, ihr Verdacht: Die Erträge könnten überhaupt nicht versteuert werden. Offenbar stecken dem BZSt noch immer die Cum-Ex- und Cum-Cum-Skandale in den Knochen, bei denen die Behörde - wie auch das Bundesfinanzministerium selbst - eine unrühmliche Rolle spielte.



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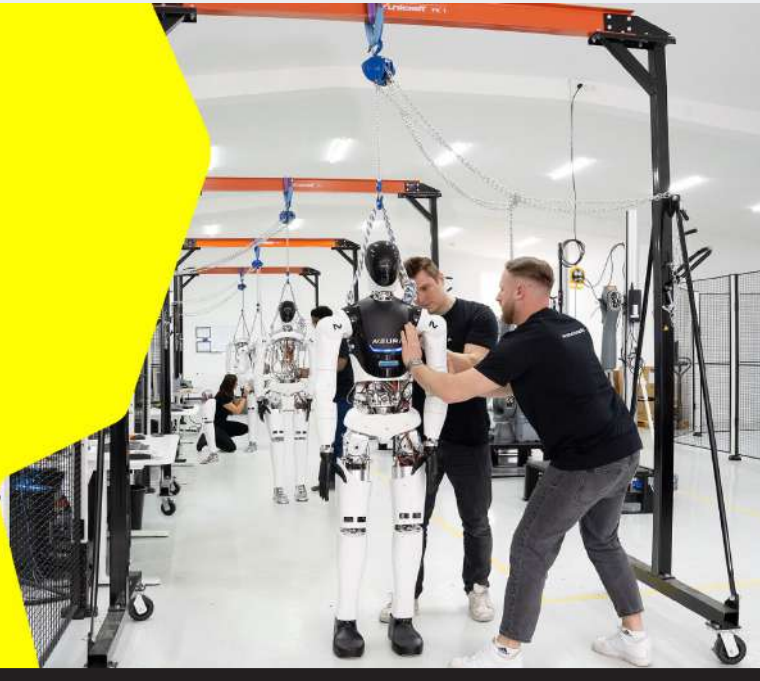
phoenix tagesgespräch, January 22, 2026

Our President Simone Menne participated in an interview with the German public TV broadcaster phoenix. Topics included the suspension of recent tariffs announced by the U.S. administration regarding Greenland as well as the overall impact on transatlantic business sentiment. In addition, President Menne talked about the role of the European Union going forward as well as other recent developments in international trade – such as the EU-Mercosur agreement.

EXPÄND

INTO THE LÄND

It has never been easier **to expand** into Germany.



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Home to many US companies

More than 1000 enterprises from the US have chosen THE LÄND as their

home. One example is IBM with its German headquarters and a major R&D center in Baden-Württemberg. The globally renowned IT company opened its first European Quantum Computing Center close to Stuttgart and has benefited from an ecosystem of outstanding research institutions, inventive talent, and global industry leaders.

Partner for a successful expansion

Baden-Württemberg International (BW_i) is the one-stop agency for international companies and research institutions interested in the state of Baden-Württemberg. Through our

initiative EXPÄND INTO THE LÄND, we provide foreign investors with the information they need to make their expansion into Germany a success. Our services include amongst others site selection support, key insights and tailored data on relevant industries and grants, assistance with talent acquisition as well as access to networks and relevant partners.



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Clients include some of the top global brands across multiple industries, such as – automotive, manufacturing, retail, healthcare and sports. Another way to look at Horváth's client base is that 70% of Fortune 500 companies with German headquarters are clients of Horváth USA.

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FACTS AND FIGURES

- **Worldwide number of employees:** more than 1.400
- **Headquarter in Germany:** Stuttgart (since 1981)
- **Headquarter in the USA:** Atlanta with further Offices in Boston, Chicago and New York

Top Executives

- **René Linsner** – CEO Horvath & Partners Management Consulting Corporation, USA

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Communication Activities / Member Surveys

Member Surveys

To assess business conditions and investment climates between Germany and the U.S., AmCham Germany conducts additional short member surveys. On the occasion of its 121st Membership Meeting in May 2025, AmCham Germany conducted a compact survey among its member companies.

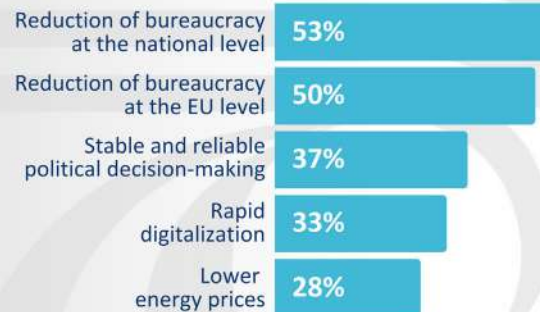
The main results were:

- For every second company that took part, the current political uncertainty in transatlantic economic relations is having a negative impact on their investment plans.
- However, Germany itself can and must solve major obstacles to growth. The top three include reducing bureaucracy in Germany (53%), at the EU level (51%) and stable, reliable political decision-making. More than one in three companies surveyed (35%) believe that Germany will be on a growth trajectory by mid-2026, almost one in four (23%) expect this to happen by the end of 2025 and almost one in five companies (19%) are unable to make an assessment.

SEE RESULTS:

www.amcham.de/news-details/amcham-germany-press-release-regarding-its-amm-2025-on-may-28-2025

3. Which of the following framework conditions have the greatest influence on growth for the German economy?



Member Survey - May 2025

3. Which of the following framework conditions have the greatest influence on growth for the German economy? (continued)



Member Survey - May 2025



Communication Activities / Chamber News

CHAMBER NEWS – AmCham Germany’s membership and events newsletter

CHAMBER NEWS contains information about business services and benefits for our members, event announcements as well as event reports and stories from member companies.

CHAMBER NEWS is circulated every month and is produced exclusively for our members.

CHAMBER NEWS
AmCham Germany's Newsletter

March 2026

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New Members of Q1 2026
Welcome & Thank You!

New Patron & Ambassador Members

LUTZ | ABEL | NOVUS

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Walmart Marketplace | WAYMO

New Partner & Associate Members

- AMTEK GmbH
- Supernect Deutschland GmbH
- Inyte Biosciences Germany GmbH
- MACH Industries
- Business Oregon

AmCham Germany extends a very warm welcome to our new members joining us in the first quarter of 2026. We look forward to strengthening transatlantic trade and business together with you and thank you for your support!

CHAMBER NEWS
AmCham Germany's Newsletter

Subscribers:
2,600

Opening rates:
46 %

(average for the period from June 2025 to April 2026)

Save-The-Date
Annual Membership Meeting, May 18-19, 2026, Stuttgart

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2026 May 18-19, Stuttgart

The American Chamber of Commerce in Germany e.V. is delighted to inform you about the date and location of its 122nd Annual Membership Meeting. It will take place in Stuttgart on May 18-19, 2026.

On **May 18**, the meetings of AmCham Germany's Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Chairpersons are going to take place at our member company Gleiss Lutz. In the evening, AmCham Germany will host a **Recognition Dinner** for its leadership, as well as partners and sponsors of the Annual Membership Meeting.

On **May 19**, the AMM will take place at AmCham Germany member company MAHL GmbH. After the membership meeting in the morning, AmCham Germany will host a **networking lunch and business conference** in the afternoon. We look forward to welcoming U.S. *Chargé d'Affaires* Alan Meltzer, U.S. Embassy Berlin, and *Michael Traub*, Chairman of the Board of Management of STIHL AG, as keynote speakers.

In cooperation with Roland Berger, AmCham Germany will also present the results of its *Transatlantic Business Barometer 2026*, an annual survey that takes a closer look at the investment and location conditions in both Germany and the United States.

The official invitation including the possibility to register for the respective parts of the signature event will be sent out to members of AmCham Germany in mid-April 2026.

CALL FOR SPONSORSHIP
Increase your organization's visibility within the transatlantic business community through an event sponsorship of AmCham Germany's 2026 Annual Membership Meeting! Four individually tailored sponsorship packages are exclusively available for AmCham Germany members. For more information on our sponsorship packages, click here or contact:

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Report on Transatlantic Investment
A Long-Standing Pillar of Growth and Innovation in the U.S. and Germany

In today's environment of global uncertainty, it is understandable that leaders look for ways to strengthen national resilience in key sectors. Calls for sovereignty and security, however, must recognize the long-standing and deep interconnectedness between the U.S. and Germany in critical sectors. Only by promoting cooperation and the sharing of resources can both countries remain at the forefront of innovation and competitiveness globally. Deep structural advantages, such as Germany's skilled labour and America's potential as a sales market, will ensure the strength and centrality of this investment relationship for years to come.

[Read the report](#)

Job Opening with AmCham Germany
Student Assistant (Frankfurt Office)

For our Frankfurt main office, we are seeking a motivated **Student Assistant (m/f/d)** to join the **Strategic Partnerships, Regional Coordination & Events team** (20 hours per week). The position is fixed-term for a period of 6 months.

[Learn more about the position and the application process here.](#)

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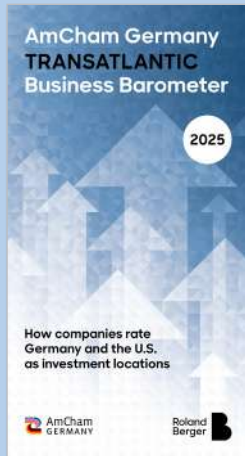
[ation with KI Bundesverband and AI Village | "Myth or Reality? – Strategies for Use of AI in Business in the EU and the U.S." | Hürth | March 3, 2025](#)
[Blenert, Co-founder and Chairman, Bundesverband der Unternehmensberater Intelligenz in Deutschland e.V.; Nina Keim, Director Government Affairs & Public Policy at Germany GmbH, Chair of AmCham Germany's Digital Policy](#)
[Alexander Niehaus, Managing Partner, niologic GmbH](#)

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[urs at BMW Berlin | "Navigating Global Shifts: The Future of the City" | Berlin | March 5, 2025](#) | Speakers: **Nina Engler**, AmCham Germany Chair Berlin-Brandenburg and Dealer Principal, BMW Corporate Store Berlin; **meister**, Head of Government Affairs Germany, BMW Group

Communication Activities / Studies

2025



Transatlantic Business Barometer

The survey on the location conditions in the U.S. and Germany among the member companies of AmCham Germany is an annual cooperation project with the management consultancy Roland Berger. The results of the Transatlantic Business Barometer 2025 were presented by **Marcus Berret**, Roland Berger, during the Transatlantic Business Conference in Berlin in November 2025. Afterwards the results were discussed by a top-class panel.



www.amcham.de/news-details/press-release

NEW RELEASED

2026



The results of the **Transatlantic Business Barometer 2026** will be presented during the Annual Membership Meeting in Stuttgart 2026.

They will be published on our website www.amcham.de, and shared via our social media channels and Chamber News newsletter.

The results of the Transatlantic Business Barometer 2026 were not available at the time of printing.



TOP 30 Largest U.S. Employers and TOP 50 U.S. Companies

Each year, AmCham Germany releases its ranking of the TOP 50 U.S. companies in Germany and the TOP 30 largest U.S. employers in Germany. The latest results were released on the day of our Transatlantic Business Conference, November 20, 2025. The rankings demonstrate how attractive the German business location is for U.S. companies and how significant they are for growth and jobs in Germany. The rankings are compiled annually in collaboration with Accenture Germany.



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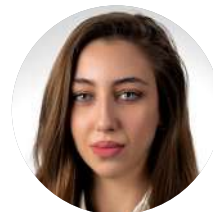
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