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Transatlantic Relations after Brexit

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Brexit represents a potentially significant change to the way transatlantic relations have been organized since WWII. The "special relationship" between the United Kingdom and the United States, born out of historic and cultural affinities, has come under strain, since America traditionally relied on Britain as its political and economic entry point into Europe. This paper will explore the new, post-Brexit system of multiple partnerships and alliances that is likely to emerge. While the US will be keen to maintain strong bonds

with the UK, it will have no other choice but to reinforce ties with other European Union countries.

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Elections :

1st round of Bulgarian Presidential election on 6th November



On 6th November the Bulgarians are being called to ballot to appoint the President of the Republic and successor to Rossen Plevneliev, who is not standing again. 21 candidates are running. The most recent poll by Mediana forecasts Tsetska Tsasheva (GERB) with 25.4% of the vote in the first round of voting and Ruman Radev with 18%. Krassimir Karakashanov is due to come 3rd with 9.9% of the vote, followed by Ivaylo Kalfin with 6.1%. The second round will take place on 13th November... [Read more](#)

Foundation :

"New security threats: how do we rethink the Defence of Europe?"

On 3rd November Eurodéfense's international meetings will be taking place in Paris on the theme of "New Security Challenges: how do we rethink the Defence of Europe?" Jean-Dominique Giuliani, the Chairman



of the Foundation will be speaking at this event... [Read more](#)

"The Consequences of Brexit on Ireland and its relations with the EU"



On 8th November, Jean-Dominique Giuliani, Chairman of the Foundation will be taking part in a conference-debate on the consequences of Brexit on Ireland and its relations with the European Union. It is obligatory to enrol... [Read more](#)

E.day, Day of Conferences on Europe



On 10th November the Journal du Dimanche, the University of Paris-Dauphine and the Connecting Leaders Club are organising E.Day, an event which will bring together many important European players to reflect on the future of Europe. Jean-Dominique Giuliani, the Chairman of the Foundation and Pascale Joannin, the Foundation's General Manager will be participating. It is obligatory to enrol... [Read more](#)

Financial Crisis :

2.8 billion € granted to Greece



The Board of Directors of the European Stability Mechanism enabled the disbursement of an additional 2.8 billion € on 25th October for Greece as part of the second tranche of the financial assistance programme... [Read more](#)

Government debt down in the euro zone



According to data published by Eurostat on 24th October the government debt ratio in comparison with the GDP lay at 84.3% in the EU and at 91.2% in the euro zone... [Read more](#)

Migration :

Extension of the temporary reintroduction of controls on certain borders



Meeting in Strasbourg on 25th September the European Commission delivered recommendations regarding the management of Europe's borders. It is suggesting an extension of the internal controls on certain borders within Schengen in Austria, Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Norway where controls are continuing for a further three months... [Read more](#)

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2.6 million new residence permits delivered by the Member States in 2015



According to a Eurostat press release dated 27th October 2.6 million new residence permits were delivered in the EU to non-community citizens in 2015, notably from Ukraine and USA in 2015... [Read more](#)

2nd generation immigrants are well integrated into the labour market



On 28th October Eurostat published a study on the integration of the immigrant population in the EU in 2014. It shows that second generation immigrants are more qualified and better integrated on the labour market than their parents in spite of disparities in the Member States... [Read more](#)

Unprecedented number of refugees and migrants drowned in the Mediterranean

On 25th October the UN's High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) announced that 2016 had been the deadliest to date with the number of



refugees and migrants who have drowned in the Mediterranean (3,740) was appoint to rise beyond the 2015 figures (3,771)... [Read more](#)

Commission :

In support of corporate tax reform for the Union



On 25th October the Commission announced projects that aim to reform the way businesses are taxed within the Single Market. The common consolidated corporate tax base (CCCTB) will make it easier and cheaper for companies to do business function on the Single Market and will comprise a powerful tool to counter tax evasion... [Read more](#)

A new space strategy



On 26th October the European Commission presented its new space strategy that promotes the development of new services and encourages the dominant role played by Europe in space... [Read more](#)

Proposed fishing quotas in the Atlantic and the North Sea in 2017



On 27th October the Commission presented its proposals for fishing quotas in the Atlantic and the North Sea for 2017 guarantee sustainable fishing and the protection of resources... [Read more](#)

Budgets: the Commission asks for details from 7 euro zone Member States



On 25th October the European Commission asked 7 euro zone Member States (Spain, Belgium, Portugal, Italy, Cyprus, Finland and Lithuania) for explanations of their draft budgets in order to ensure that they are compatible with European objectives... [Read more](#)

Kristalina Georgieva leaves the Commission to join the World Bank



On 28th October Bulgarian Kristalina Georgieva, the Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for the budget announced that she would be leaving her post to join the World Bank in January... [Read more](#)

The Commission presents its 2017 work programme



On 25th October the European Commission, which met in Strasbourg, presented its 2017 work programme. It sets out 10 priorities in the Commission's political agenda for the year to come focused on the goal "Delivering a Europe that protects, empowers and defends"... [Read more](#)

Parliament :

Sakharov Prize for the Freedom of Thought 2016



The 2016 Sakharov Prize for the Freedom of Thought was awarded to two Yezidi survivors of Daesh Nadia Mourad Bassi Taha and Lamiya Aji Bachar, following a decision by the European Parliament on 27th October. It will be awarded on 4th December... [Read more](#)

Democracy and the rule of law: MEPs ask for European watchdog

On 25th October MEPs adopted a legislative initiative asking the Commission to introduce a new European mechanism to ensure that all of the Union's Member States respect the values established in the treaties from the point of view of democracy, rule of law and fundamental rights... [Read more](#)



EU 2017 Budget



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In a press release on 26th October MEPs expressed their position on the EU 2017 budget. They notably asked for more money to counter youth unemployment, to support growth and to help third countries overcome the migratory crisis. On the same day the Council indicated that it could not accept all of the amendments. This vote opens a three week period of conciliation with the Council in order to reach an agreement... [Read more](#)

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Diplomacy :

EU-Latin America: Saint Domingo Declaration



On 25th October during an EU Foreign Affairs Ministers' Meeting together with the Community of Latin America and the Caribbean (CELAC) in Saint Domingo a declaration was signed to strengthen the bi-regional partnership... [Read more](#)

Signature of the free-trade agreement between the EU and Canada



On 30th October the EU and Canada finally signed a free-trade agreement which will now have to be ratified by the national and regional parliaments of the Union but which will only enter into force when the European Parliament votes in December... [Read more](#)

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Spain :

Mariano Rajoy reappointed Prime Minister



On 25th October the King of Spain, Felipe VI asked Mariano Rajoy, the outgoing Prime Minister to form a new government. On 29th October during a vote in Parliament, Mariano Rajoy was reappointed by 170 votes in support, 111 against and 68 abstentions... [Read more](#)

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France :

Europa - the last chance for Europe



Former French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing gave a speech at the University of Zurich on 25th October with a plea for Europe on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of Winston Churchill's speech... [Read more](#)

Iraq and Syria Coalition Defence Ministers Meeting



During a meeting on 25th October of the Defence Ministers of the Coalition in Iraq and Syria, French President François Hollande recalled that the battle for Mosul would not just be won with the participation of the Iraqi and Peshmerga forces... [Read more](#)

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Poland :

Poland will not comply with the EU's recommendations



On 27th October Beata Szydlo, the Polish Prime Minister declared that Poland would not make any changes to its legal system in order to steer it towards true rule of law, deeming that the EU's recommendations went against the interests of Polish citizens and that they were not really founded. Poland has thereby refused to act before the deadline of 27th October set by the Commission. This refusal might mean sanctions... [Read more](#)

UK :

The Court of Justice of Northern Ireland rejected an appeal against Brexit



On 28th October the High Court of Northern Ireland took the first legal decision regarding the challenge being made to the UK's exit of the EU. It rejected the appeals made by the complainants who maintain that the Brexit decision should be submitted to the approval of the Parliament of Northern Ireland, since they deem that leaving the Union would infringe the peace agreements signed in 1998... [Read more](#)

UK: first "Joint Ministerial Committee" since December 2014



On 24th October the first "Joint Ministerial Committee" since December 2014 took place with Theresa May, the British Prime Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, Scotland's First Minister, Carwyn Jones the Welsh First Minister, Arlene Foster and Martin McGuinness, respectively First and Deputy First Ministers of Northern Ireland. Theresa May notably suggested to include them in discussions over the Brexit via a committee involving representatives from the four constituent nations of the UK... [Read more](#)

Georgia :

General elections in Georgia



On 30th October the second round of the general elections in Georgia took place. The pro-Western party in office won 48 of the 50 constituencies, but these results were severely criticised by the opposition... [Read more](#)

Iceland :

General elections in Iceland



On 29th October the Icelanders went to ballot to elect the 63 MPs for Parliament. The Pirate Party which was running neck and neck with the outgoing party, the Independence Party, finally came third... [Read more](#)

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Moldova :

Presidential election in Moldova



On 30th October the Moldovans went to vote, taking part in the first direct presidential election since 1997. The election opposed supporters of closer links with Russia against pro-Europeans... [Read more](#)

Montenegro :

Montenegro: Prime Minister not standing again



On 26th October Montenegrin Prime Minister Milo Djukanovic surprised everyone by announcing that he would not be standing again following the general elections on 16th October which had been marred by the arrest of many Serbs suspected of plotting against him. He will be replaced by his loyal ally, Dusko Markovic... [Read more](#)

Ukraine :

Meeting between French and Ukrainian Prime Ministers



On 27th October Ukrainian Prime Minister Volodymir Groysman, met his French counterpart, Manuel Valls in Paris to discuss cooperation between the two States... [Read more](#)

NATO :

Meeting of Defence Ministers



On 26th and 27th October NATO's Defence Ministers decided to deploy further military contingents to the East of Europe (Baltic States and Romania) as well as to step up NATO and EU cooperation, notably in terms of monitoring the borders in the Mediterranean and the Aegean...

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Studies/Reports :

Report on relations between the European and Ukraine



On 28th October the European Commission published a report that relates the results of cooperation between the European Union and Ukraine in the implementation of reforms in the country... [Read more](#)

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Publication :

Hubert Védrine: "Sauver l'Europe"



In his book published with Liana Levi Publishing, in which the Foundation is quoted, former French Foreign Affairs Minister, Hubert Védrine calls for Union in Europe, in spite of the difficulties encountered by European integration over the last 20 years and for it to rise above national identities... [Read more](#)

Culture :

Museum Night in Amsterdam



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On 5th November more than 50 Amsterdam museums will be open from 7pm to 2am for the annual Museum Night. Temporary exhibitions as well as permanent collections will be open to the public. There will also be screenings of films as well as dance and music shows... [Read more](#)

Exhibition of self-portraits at the Palace of Buckingham



From 4th November to 17th April 2017 Buckingham Palace will be hosting an exhibition on the self-portraits of world renowned artists like Rembrandt, Rubens and Leonardo da Vinci... [Read more](#)

The Reina Sofia Museum working with Lothar Baumgarten



From 3rd November to 16th April 2017 the National Museum Reina Sofia in Madrid will be promoting the most recent creation of Lothar Baumgarten, who planned the garden at the Fondation Cartier... [Read more](#)

Dance Festival "Moving in November" in Helsinki



Until 5th November the 30th Moving in November dance festival is taking place in Helsinki - it is one of the oldest and biggest contemporary dance festivals in Finland... [Read more](#)

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Brussels
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