The European Union and the United States share many values, principles and interests, and there is a rich tapestry of transatlantic relations at many levels and across a range of policy fields. At present, however, on climate change and climate action, as well as other important areas of policy - the EU and the US are pulling in different, sometimes opposite directions. Led by keynote comments from author and academic Bruce Stokes, a small group of experts engaged in a round-table discussion to explore the prospects for
post-election transatlantic relations and cooperation across a range of related policy fields.

The lively conversation included discussions on aspects of international trade and finance, geo-engineering and climate mitigation, the role of countries like China in the future geopolitics, human rights and climate-based migration, and the importance of international networks and collaboration. The international group of participants also discussed possibilities for transatlantic and global relations in the event of both re-election of Donald Trump and the election of a new Democrat leader.

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