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Summary

- **Bergsten: EU Should Push Hard for TTIP.**

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Details

1. **Bergsten: EU Should Push Hard for TTIP.** The Delegation hosted a post-election, half-day discussion of EU-U.S. relations on Wednesday. In a panel focused on the transatlantic economic relationship featuring Ambassador O'Sullivan and several Washington trade policy specialists, former Peterson Institute head Fred Bergsten said that if the Trump Administration follows through with Trump's campaign rhetoric and turns inward economically, the mantle of leadership for the liberal economic model will fall to the EU. Bergsten urged the EU to make a major push for Trump to take up the TTIP, whether resumed or under a new name with some modified objectives. He said that because of Trump's silence about the negotiations during the campaign, and the relative popularity of TTIP on the Hill, there is an opportunity for Europe to engage the incoming Administration positively on trade through the effort.

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