

Meeting with [REDACTED] in ITIF
7 December, 15.30 – 16.00

Participants:

[REDACTED] in ITIF
[REDACTED] ITIFs Center for Data Innovation

Cab Vestager [REDACTED]

Key points raised by ITIF:

- **ITIF presented** the objectives of the think tank including its Center for Data Innovation (focusing on data privacy, quantum, AI and AI act among others), Center for Clean Tech and Hamilton Center on Industrial Strategy (practical approach to competitiveness policy to enable innovation in global markets).
- ITIF interested in getting insight on ways to collaborate. Topics mentioned:
 - **TTC:** TTC and the recent deliverables and achievements on primarily the technology side (Progress on AI was used as an example to emphasize how the transatlantic cooperation has created common standards within AI. Consequently, ensuring better conditions on the market and for consumers).
 - **Strategic autonomy:** ITIF expressed some worries about Europe becoming too protectionist while there is a need to keep markets open.
 - **Cooperation:** Cooperation with likeminded countries are essential to ensure EU competitiveness.
 - **Inflation Reduction Act:** ITIF supports the **IRA**. From an American perspective this is regarded as a successful instrument to move things forward and drive technologies to foster the market.

Cab Vestager took note of the points raised and referred to open strategic autonomy, the good cooperation with like-minded partners around the world, the guiding principles for the digital agenda as well as the need to focus on promoting renewable energy through RepowerEU, Green Tech and Clean Tech.