



Meeting between

EVP Valdis Dombrovskis and

Information Technology Industry Council

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ITI raised the issues of transatlantic cooperation of digital trade including the proposed EU-US Trade and Technology Council, cross-border data flows and data localisation requirements, WTO negotiations on e-commerce and digital taxation.

The restoring of bilateral relations between EU and US is of paramount importance to ITI members. They strongly support US return to multilateral approach. The economic and political threat from China needs to be addressed by common effort of EU&US particularly in the areas of data flows, 5G, completion and digital tax. ITI was interested in the role of Digital Trade as part of EU Trade Policy Communication and supported disciplines facilitating cross-border data flows and prohibition of localisation requirements. EVP Dombrovskis appreciated ITI's engagement and support.