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The Road to 2020: Decoding U.S. Politics and the Impact on Transatlantic Relations

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**TownHall Europe
Square de Meeûs, 5-6**

With the 2020 U.S. elections just over a year away, the world is intently focused on which political direction the country will take. The Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and the German Marshall Fund of the U.S. (GMF) will bring together leading European and U.S. experts and policy-makers to analyze U.S. domestic political realities a year before the elections. The conversation will also explore what U.S. foreign policy may look like post-2020. What will be the impact on U.S. global leadership? Could we see a resurgence of transatlantic engagement or is this a thing of the past?

Agenda

13:00-13:30 Registration

13:30 – 13:45 Opening Remarks
Dr. László Andor, Secretary General, FEPS

13:45 - 15:00 Session I: The final Stretch- A Year Away from the 2020 Elections
Mr. Charlie Dent, former Member of Congress and Senior Policy Advisor, DLA Piper
Amb. David O'Sullivan, former EU Ambassador to the U.S., Distinguished Fellow, GMF
Ms. Neera Tanden, President, Center for American Progress

Moderator: **Dr. Ian Lesser**, Vice-President, GMF

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 - 16:45 Session II: The U.S. in the World: Foreign Policy post-2020
Mr. Steven Erlanger, Chief Diplomatic Correspondent for Europe, *The New York Times*
The Hon. Kati Piri, MEP, Vice-President of the S&D Group, European Parliament
Dr. Nathalie Tocci, Director, IAI

Moderator : **Mr. Jamie Fly**, President, Radio Free Europe

16:45-17:00 Concluding Remarks
Maria João Rodrigues, President, FEPS