Key Issues for TTIP: Negotiating Energy in TTIP - A Conversation with Petros Sourmelis

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Through the Trans-Atlantic Energy Action Project, The Lugar Center (TLC) and the German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF) are partnering to improve understanding of trans-Atlantic opportunities for energy security and economic cooperation, particularly in relation to the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP). TLC and GMF partnered with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace to host EU energy negotiator Petros Sourmelis for a discussion on energy issues in TTIP with attendees from think tanks, nonprofit organizations, and private industry. Mr. Sourmelis currently serves as Head of Unit, Market Access, Industry, Energy and Raw Materials at the European Commission.

Neil Brown, a founding board member of The Lugar Center, and David Livingston of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace moderated the roundtable conversation, held under Chatham House rules, which began with a discussion of the current state of play of TTIP negotiations. Discussion turned to the inclusion of energy in TTIP negotiations and specifically the domestic and international complexities oil and natural gas trade. The conversation also highlighted the paper on energy considerations in TTIP recently released through the Trans-Atlantic Energy Action Project. Learn more about the paper "Considerations for the Treatment of Energy in the US-EU Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership" here.

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EU energy negotiator Petros Sourmelis discusses energy issues in TTIP.

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