

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☒ Original ☐ Amendment

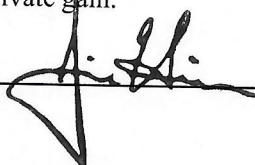
This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual *Financial Disclosure Statement*. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Jim Himes
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** ☒ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: Feb 18th, 2024 Return: Feb 20th, 2024
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** ☐ None
4. Departure City: Munich, Germany Destination: Kruen, Germany Return City: New York, NY
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: German Marshall Fund of the United States, Charles F. Kettering Foundation, Robert Bosch Stiftung, American Friends of MSC
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary): During this trip Congressman Himes participated in meetings and conversations with Members of the Bundestag around the topic
of representative democracy and leadership. He met with high level officials of the German government and international organizations and foundations to build relationships.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:*
 - a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: _____



Date: 2/28/2024

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☐ Original ☐ Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: _____

2. Travel Destination(s): _____

3. Date of Departure: _____ Date of Return: _____

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): _____

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler				
Accompanying Family Member				

6. ☐ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment.
Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

☐ **I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Jim Himes
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: The German Marshall Fund of the United States
The Kettering Foundation, American Friends of the Munich Security Conference, Robert Bosch Fo
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Munich, Germany & Kruen, Germany
4. a. Date of Departure: February 18th, 2024 Date of Return: February 20th, 2024
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
On this trip I will be meeting with German lawmakers to address transnational issues
and examine forward-looking solutions to strengthen democracies on both sides of the Atlantic.
This will help build relationship with our foreign allies and discuss relevant foreign security issues that will help inform policy making.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____

Date: 2/12/2024

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ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. **Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.**

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor for this trip: The German Marshall Fund of the United States
2. Name of your organization: Robert Bosch Stiftung GmbH
3. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. ☒ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. ☐ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
 - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
 - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
 - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. **I certify by my signature that**
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: pki, BOSCH, DE, H, E, henry.alt-haaker Digital unterschrieben von pki, BOSCH, DE, H, E, henry.alt-haaker
Datum: 2023.12.19 15:14:43 +01'00' Date: 19.12.2023
Name: Henry Alt-Haaker Title: Senior Vice President

Organization: Robert Bosch Stiftung GmbH

Address: Franzoesische Strasse 32, 10117 Berlin

Telephone: +49 30 220025-322 Email: henry.alt-haaker@bosch-stiftung.de

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor for this trip: The German Marshall Fund of the United States
2. Name of your organization: American Friends of the Munich Security Conference
3. Yes ☒ No ☐ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. ☒ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. ☐ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
 - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
 - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
 - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. **I certify by my signature that**
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Fred W. Reinke Date: Jan. 8, 2024
Name: Fred W. Reinke Title: President
Organization: American Friends of the Munich Security Conference
Address: 8005 Westover Road, Bethesda, MD 20814
Telephone: 202-262-1783 Email: fweinke@gmail.com

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. **Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.**

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1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor for this trip: German Marshall Fund
2. Name of your organization: Charles F. Kettering Foundation
3. Yes ☒ No ☐ Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes ☐ No ☒ Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. ☒ Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. ☐ Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
 - c. ☐ Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
 - a. ☒ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
 - b. ☐ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. **I certify by my signature that**
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Maxine S. Thomas Date: 1/10/2024

Name: Maxine S. Thomas Title: Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Organization: Charles F. Kettering Foundation

Address: 200 Commons Road Dayton, Ohio

Telephone: 937-439-9808 Email: mthomas@kettering.org

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip: _____

2. ☐ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

- a. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
- b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
- c. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____

5. Yes ☐ No ☐ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: _____ Date of Return: _____

7. a. City of departure: _____

b. Destination(s): _____

c. City of return: _____

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

- a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
- b. ☐ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
- c. ☐ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☐ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. ☐ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☐ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☐ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. ☐ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. ☐ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
b. ☐ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. ☐ I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee			
For each Accompanying Family Member			


	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. ☐ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

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Michael Guest, Mississippi
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February 14, 2024

The Honorable James A. Himes
U.S. House of Representatives
2137 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Germany, scheduled for February 18 to 20, 2024, sponsored by German Marshall Fund of the United States, Charles F. Kettering Foundation, Robert Bosch Stiftung, and American Friends of the Munich Security Conference. We note that you will not accept outbound transportation from the trip sponsor.

Committee travel regulations require that you submit your complete pre-trip approval request to the Committee at least 30 days before the commencement of the trip or it will not be granted. Despite your failure to do so in this instance, we are approving your current request. However, any future requests should adhere to the 30-day requirement.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$480] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Guest". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Michael Guest
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Wild". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S".

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

MG/SW:rp

House Ethics Addendum C
Congress-Bundestag Exchange 2024 – Connecting Future Transatlantic Leadership

Munich will host the 60th iteration of the Munich Security Conference (MSC) in 2024. It is a premier conference on international affairs. Lawmakers participating in our program will also be included in these debates and will be invited to participate at the MSC. Schloss Elmau was selected for its proximity to Munich and its superior conference facilities. G7 summits were hosted at the venue in 2015 and 2022. GMF has organized programs for lawmakers at Schloss Elmau in 2020, 2017, 2015 and 2013. Thanks to a package price, all meals will be included in the costs.

Connecting Future Transatlantic Leadership

Congress-Bundestag Exchange

Munich & Schloss Elmau

February 17 – 20, 2024

AGENDA

A dialogue for German and American lawmakers to address transnational issues and examine forward-looking solutions to strengthen democracies on both sides of the Atlantic. GMF would like to thank the Friends of MSC, the Charles F. Kettering Foundation, and the Robert Bosch Foundation for supporting this exchange.

Friday, February 16, 2024

US Members of Congress depart on individual travel itineraries.

17:20 US Members of Congress Peter Aguilar, Jason Crow, Veronica Escobar and Lauren Underwood depart Washington, D.C. on flight UA108

Saturday, February 17, 2024

US Members of Congress and German Members of the Bundestag arrive in Munich on individual travel itineraries and attend the Munich Security Conference (MSC).

Accommodation: Hilton City Munich
Rosenheimer Strasse 15
81667 München

7:20 US Members of Congress Peter Aguilar, Jason Crow, Veronica Escobar and Lauren Underwood arrive in Munich

9:00 – 13:30 MSC Panel Discussions, Roundtables, Conversations and Townhall Meetings

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend panel discussions, roundtables, conversations featuring high-level speakers from politics and civil society at the MSC according to their individual programs.

13:30 – 15:00 MSC Lunch Discussions

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend lunch discussions at the MSC according to their individual programs.

15:15 – 19:15 MSC Panel Discussions, Roundtables, Conversations and Townhall Meetings

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend panel discussions, roundtables, conversations featuring high-level speakers from politics and civil society at the MSC according to their individual programs.

20:00 – 21:30 MSC Dinner Discussions

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend dinner discussion sessions at the MSC according to their individual programs.

22:00 – 23:00 MSC Night Cap Sessions

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend night cap sessions at the MSC according to their individual programs.

Sunday, February 18, 2024

7:30 – 9:00 MSC Breakfast Roundtables

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend breakfast roundtables at the MSC according to their individual programs.

9:30 – 11:30 MSC Panel Discussions, Roundtables, Conversations and Townhall Meetings

Members of Congress and the Bundestag will attend panel discussions, roundtables, conversations featuring high-level speakers from politics and civil society at the MSC according to their individual programs.

11:30 Meet GMF staff at the Bayerischer Hof
Short walk to lunch venue

12:00 – 14:00 Roundtable on Transatlantic Security

Speaker:

Boris Pistorius, German Minister of Defense (tentative)

Location: tbd

14:00 Transfer from MSC to Schloss Elmau will be provided. Please meet GMF staff at designated meeting spot and look for a **"GMF"** sign.

Accommodation: Schloss Elmau
82493 Elmau/Oberbayern
Tel. +49 8823 18 0

16:00 Members of Congress and the Bundestag arrive at Schloss Elmau and check-in

17:30 -18:30 Facilitated Opening Session

Welcome on behalf of Partners – Heather Conley, President, GMF

Members of Congress and Members of the Bundestag are invited to share their views on representative democracy and leadership.

18:30 – 21:00 Dinner Discussion: The Necessities and Realities of Zeitenwende

Speaker.

Wolfgang Schmidt, Head of the Federal Chancellery and Federal Minister for Special Tasks

Monday, February 19, 2024

Starting at 7:30 Buffet breakfast at La Salle Restaurant

9:00 – 10:30 Session I: Collective Security and Shared Prosperity in the Face of Global Disorder

Speakers:

General (Retired) James Mattis, **Curtis M. Scaparrotti**, Senior Counselor, The Cohen Group (invited)

Oby Ezekwesili, Senior Economic Adviser, Africa Economic Development Policy Initiative (invited)

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:30 Continuation of Session I: Working Groups

*Members will be split into groups to discuss policies and best practices regarding **defense capabilities, energy transition, and emerging technologies.***

12:30 – 13:45 Lunch Break

13:45 – 15:45 Session II: Demographic Change and Social Cohesion
Speakers:
Laura-Kristine Krause, Germany Director, More in Common

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 – 18:15 Session III: Delivering Democracy Locally and for the Next Generation

Speakers:

Henry Alt-Haakar, Senior Vice President, Robert Bosch Foundation

Heather Conley, President GMF

Sharon L. Davies, President and CEO, Charles F. Kettering Foundation

Ambassador Rainer Rudolph, Vice Chair MSC

Representatives of partner organizations provide brief inputs on strengthening democracy. Members of Congress and the Bundestag will have solution-oriented discussion, reflecting on the partners' input and the situation in their constituencies.

19:30 – 21:30 Networking Dinner

Members of Congress and of the Bundestag will have the opportunity to reflect on how their experience at the Congress-Bundestag Exchange has informed their views on policy and transatlantic engagement.

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Starting at 7:30 Buffet breakfast at La Salle Restaurant

8:00 – 11:00 Departures

German Members of the Bundestag check-out and depart on individual itineraries

12:00 Rep. Peter Aguilar departs Munich on flight UA8860 to Los Angeles

15:35 Rep. Lauren Underwood departs Munich on flight UA8855 to Chicago

16:05 Rep. Jason Crow and Veronica Escobar depart Munich on flight UA761 to Denver (Rep. Veronica Escobar continues on flight UA6211 to El Paso)

House Ethics Addendum A
Congress-Bundestag Exchange 2024 – Connecting Future Transatlantic Leadership

US-German relations are not only being reshaped by current security realities and renewed interest in the transatlantic relationship, but also by new leadership and political representatives in both countries. The German Marshall Fund of the United States will bring together the next generation of American and German leaders following the 2024 Munich Security Conference. The two-day gathering would allow for exchange between lawmakers who are often underrepresented in international conversations, including younger and diverse representatives as well as lawmakers from a variety of geographical backgrounds. The following Members of Congress were invited to participate due to their diverse backgrounds and their interest in contributing to transatlantic and international conversations:

Confirmed Members:

- Congresswoman Veronica Escobar (D-TX)
- Congresswoman Lauren Underwood (D-IL)
- Congressman Gabe Amo (D-RI)
- Congressman Jim Himes (D-CT)

Invited Members:

- Rep. Joaquin Castro (D-TX)
- Rep. Sydney Kamlager-Dove (D-CA)
- Rep. Mike Garcia (D-CA)
- Rep. Sara Jacobs (D-CA)
- Rep. Dusty Johnson (R-SD)
- Rep. Ro Khanna (D-CA)
- Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL)
- Rep. Nick LaLota (R-NY)
- Rep. Mike Lawler (R-NY)
- Rep. Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ)
- Rep. Elisa Slotkin (D-MI)
- Rep. Haley Stevens (D-MI)
- Rep. Julie Letlow (R-LA)
- Rep. Jake Ellzey (R-TX)
- Rep. Austin Scott (R-GA)
- Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX)
- Rep. Maria Salazar (R-FL)
- Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)
- Rep. Jennifer Kiggans (R-VA)

- Rep. Lori Chavez DeRemer (R-OR)
- Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick (D-FL)
- Rep. Maxwell Frost (D-FL)
- Rep. Andy Barr (R-KY)
- Rep. Grace Meng (D-NY)
- Rep. Jake Auchincloss (D-MA)
- Rep. Nannette Barragan (D-CA)
- Rep. Ashley Hinson (R-IA)
- Rep. Nathan Moran (R-TX)
- Rep. Anthony D’Esposito (R-NY)
- Rep. Monica de la Cruz (R-TX)
- Rep. Zach Nunn (R-IA)
- Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D-VA)
- Rep. Tom Kean (R-NJ)
- Rep. John James (R-MI)
- Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA)
- Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI)
- Rep. Andy Kim (D-NJ)
- Rep. Reuben Gallego (D-AZ)
- Rep. Andrew Garbarino (R-NY)
- Rep. Laurel Lee (R-FL)
- Rep. Ritchie Torres (D-NY)
- Rep. Pete Aguilar (D-CA)
- Rep. Jason Crow (D-CO)

House Ethics Addendum B
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The Charles F. Kettering Foundation works to inspire and connect individuals and organizations to advance thriving and inclusive democracies around the globe.

Robert Bosch Stiftung is a German foundation that supports projects in the areas of global issues, education and health.

The American Friends of the MSC aim to promote the activities of the Munich Security Conference in the United States of America.

Representatives of the three organizations will support the exchange by moderating and giving input during discussions.