

U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

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EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, 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.

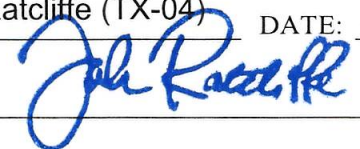
1. Name of Traveler: Dustin Carmack
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: \_\_\_\_\_ *or* None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: July 1, 2018 Return: July 6, 2018  
 b. Dates at personal expense (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ *or* None
4. Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Brussels, Belgium; Munich, Germany Return city: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): German Marshall Fund of the US; Software Education Foundation; BSA Foundation
6. Describe meetings and events attended: Attended meetings w/ EU Mission, NATO, US Ambassador to Belgium, US Consulate Munich, IBM, Salesforce, etc. to discuss cybersecurity, data flows, trade, and tech/AI advancement.
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 Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; *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 that statement is true by checking box*):   
 b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER:  DATE: 7/12/18

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: Rep. John Ratcliffe (TX-04) DATE: 7/12/18

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: 



**U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics**

**SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM**

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 on 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.

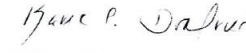
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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF);  
Software Education Foundation d/b/a "Software.org: the BSA Foundation" (Software.org)
2. Travel Destination(s): Brussels, Belgium; Munich, Germany
3. Date of Departure: July 1, 2018 Date of Return: July 6, 2018
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Dustin Carmack  
(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 response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	<b>\$2,588</b>	\$850	\$486	Total \$154.00 - IBM Watson IoT Technology Hub Tour: \$135; Allianz Arena Tour: \$19
Accompanying Relative	<b>None</b>	None	None	None

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:   
 Name: Karen Donfried; Chris Hopfensperger Title: President, Executive Director  
 Organization: German Marshall Fund; Software.org

**I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):**

Address: 1744 R Street NW Washington, DC 20009;  
20 F Street NW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20001  
 Telephone number: 202-683-2650; 202-872-5500  
 Email Address: kdonfried@gmfus.org; chris@software.org

*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.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Dustin Carmack
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)  
Software Education Foundation d/b/a "Software.org the BSA Foundation" (Software.org)
3. Travel destination(s): Brussels, Belgium; Munich, Germany
4. a. Date of departure July 1, 2018 Date of return: July 6, 2018  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  Yes  No  
If yes, dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense?  Yes  No  
b. If yes:  
(1) Name of accompanying relative: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age:  Yes  No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)?  Yes  No  
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms:  Yes  No  
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.  
As CoS to the Congressman, who serves as chair of Cyber Security  
Sub, I advise on matters pertaining to those issues that the Conference  
intends to discuss including data and infrastructure security.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip?  Yes  No

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.

Date: 6-1-2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Employing Member

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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 Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**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.**

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): German Marshall Fund;  
Software Education Foundation d/b/a "Software.org: the BSA Foundation" (Software.org)
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 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):  
Please see addendum
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)?  Yes  No
6. Date of departure: July 1, 2018 Date of return: July 6, 2018
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.  
b. Destination(s): Brussels, Belgium; Munich, Germany  
c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
  - 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 one of the following:
  - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
  - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
  - 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 "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the 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 one:

- 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 that the statement is true by checking box):  or  
b. N/A – 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:

GMF seeks to promote cooperation between the United States and Europe on transatlantic global issues. Software.org seeks to help policymakers and the broader public better understand the impact that software has on our lives, our economy, and our society. GMF and Software.org are responsible for all aspects of the trip, including recruitment of participants and the formation of the agenda. No foreign government donations will be used to fund the House invitees' participation in the trip.

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

- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (Specify: Bus for in-country travel)  
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. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- 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): \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximately \$115

2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brussels, as the seat of the European Parliament, Commission, and Council, was chosen to showcase the European Union's approaches to digital policy. Munich, as a major hub of the technology industry, was chosen to provide insight into the challenges and opportunities facing industry stakeholders today.

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

Hotel name: Steigenberger Hotel City: Brussels Cost per night: \$178

Reason(s) for selecting: Central location and proximity to meeting sites

Hotel name: Hotel Excelsior City: Munich Cost per night: \$237

Reason(s) for selecting: Central location and proximity to meeting sites

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 box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$2,588	\$850	\$486
For each accompanying relative	N/A	N/A	N/A

	<i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$135	IBM Watson IoT Technology Hub Tour
For each accompanying relative	N/A	N/A


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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below.  *or*  
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

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

Signature: *Karen P. Donfried*   
 Name: Karen Donfried Chris Hopfensperger  
 Title: President Executive Director  
 Organization: German Marshall Fund Software.org  
 Address: 1744 R St NW Washington, DC 20009 20 F St NW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20001  
 Telephone number: 202-683-2650 202.872.5500  
 Email address: kdonfried@gmfus.org chris@software.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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 1015 Longworth House Office Building  
 Washington, DC 20515  
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 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

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Mr. Dustin Carmack  
Office of the Honorable John Ratcliff  
325 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Carmack:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Belgium and Germany,<sup>1</sup> scheduled for July 1 to July 6, 2018, sponsored by the German Marshall Fund of the United States and Software.org.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) 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. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 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 employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$390] 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 from Foreign Governments filed with the Committee, and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

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<sup>1</sup> We note that the U.S. Department of State (State Department) has issued a travel warning concerning travel to Belgium, *available at* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Belgium.html>; and Germany, *available at* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Germany.html>. You may wish to contact the State Department regarding the safety of your proposed trip.

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

Sincerely,



Susan W. Brooks  
Chairwoman



Theodore E. Deutch  
Ranking Member

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## Transatlantic Technology Congressional Delegation 2018

### Addendum 1

#### Senate Staff:

- Jacqueline Dailey Cottrell, Chief of Staff, Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS)
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- Chandler Christie Morse, Chief of Staff, Sen. Jeff Flake (R-AZ)
- Corey Tellez, Legislative Director, Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL)

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- Virgil Anthony Miller, Chief of Staff, Rep. Cedric Richmond (D-LA)
- Dustin Carmack, Chief of Staff, Rep. John Ratcliffe (R-TX)



## AGENDA FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

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**Transatlantic Technology Congressional Delegation**  
**Brussels, Belgium and Munich, Germany**  
**July 1-6, 2018**

## United States: Sunday, July 1

12:00 – 20:00      **Departure for Brussels on Individual Itineraries (Times Will Vary)**

## Brussels: Monday, July 2

07:30 – 11:00      **Participants arrive at Brussels International Airport**

08:30 – 12:00      **Participants arrive at Steigenberger Hotel and Check-in**  
 Avenue Louise 71  
 1050 Brussels, Belgium

12:00 - 12:30      Transfer from Steigenberger Hotel to the U.S. Mission-EU

12:30 – 14:00      **Introductory Working Lunch at U.S. Mission-EU**

Location:      US Mission-EU  
 Rue Zinner 13  
 1000 Brussels, Belgium

US-EU Charge d’Affaires Adam Shub will provide opening remarks about the state of transatlantic relations from the perspective of Brussels along with a primer on the most salient issues in the European Parliament and Commission. Ambassador Shub will then lead a roundtable discussion with participants about current topics at the forefront of US-EU relations and digital trade, including the steel and aluminum tariffs and the General Data Protection Regulation.

- **Adam Shub**, Charge d’Affaires, U.S. Mission-EU

14:00 - 14:45      Transfer to European Commission

14:45                **European Commission Meetings**



Location: European Commission  
Rue de la Loi 200  
1049 Brussels, Belgium

The delegation will participate in a series of meetings with the Heads of Cabinets for the following European Commissioners on the topics identified below. Conversations will focus on the similarities and divergences between US and EU guidelines as they pertain to the issue areas at the forefront of the transatlantic digital space. Staffers will exchange with their EU counterparts on the challenges and opportunities presented by technological innovation, and what legislators can and should do to regulate emerging technologies, privacy, data flows, and digital trade.

14:45 - 15:30

Meeting on Emerging Technologies:

- **António Vicente**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Carlos Moedas, Research, Science and Innovation

15:30 - 16:15

Meeting on Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Disinformation:

- **Renate Nikolay**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Vera Jourova, Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality
- **James Morrison**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Julian King, Security Union

16:15 - 17:00

Meeting on Digital Policy Issues and Digital Trade:

- **Juhan Lepasaar**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Andrus Ansip, Digital Single Market
- **Lora Borissova**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Mariya Gabriel, Digital Economy and Society
- **Maria Åsenius**, Head of Cabinet, Commissioner Cecilia Malmstrom, Trade

17:00 - 17:45

Transfer to Steigenberger Hotel

17:45 – 19:00

**Personal Work Period at Steigenberger Hotel**

19:00 – 19:15

Transfer to Le Châtelain

19:15 – 21:30

### Working Dinner on EU Politics and Digital Policies

Location: Le Châtelain  
Rue du Châtelain 17  
1000 Brussels, Belgium

This dinner discussion will provide participants with an overview of the current state of the EU with particular focus on the upcoming spring 2019 EU Parliamentary Elections, Brexit, and the seating of a new Commission in 2019. Discussants will also speak to the general mood in the EU around digital transformation and policy.

- **Ryan Heath**, Political Editor, POLITICO Europe
- **Paul Adamson**, Founder and Editor, E!Sharp
- **Hosuk Lee-Makiyama**, Director, European Center for International Political Economy
- **Paul Hofheinz**, President and Co-Founder, Lisbon Council

21:30 - 21:45

Transfer to Steigenberger Hotel

Brussels: Tuesday, July 3

09:00 – 10:15

### Working Breakfast with PermReps on Data Protection and Security

Location: Steigenberger Hotel  
Avenue Louise 71  
1050 Brussels, Belgium

In this roundtable breakfast discussion, ambassadors will provide perspective on EU Member states' approaches for addressing the challenges and opportunities presented by an expanding digital economy. The ambassadors will speak to the efforts being undertaken in their respective countries to protect their citizens' data, privacy, and overall security from malicious actors.

Invitees include:

- **Ambassador Declan Kelleher** (Ireland)
- **Ambassador Reinhard Silberberg** (Germany)
- **Ambassador Robert de Groot** (Netherlands)





- **Ambassador Lars Danielsson** (Sweden)
- **Ambassador François Roux** (Belgium)
- **Ambassador Philippe Leglise-Costa** (France)

10:15 - 10:45 Transfer to the German Marshall Fund

10:45 – 12:30 **Cybersecurity Roundtable**

Location: The German Marshall Fund of the United States  
Rue de la Loi 155  
1040 Brussels, Belgium

This roundtable session will bring together cybersecurity experts from NATO and the diplomatic community to speak with the delegation. Participants will discuss with the delegation the current policies and technologies in use to enforce cybersecurity. Additionally, there will be a discussion of the current transatlantic collaboration on quelling cyber threats.

- **Christian Liflander**, Head of Cyber-Security Policy, Emerging Threats Division-NATO
- **Oliver Parsons**, U.S. Mission - NATO
- **Justine Treadwell**, Head of Unit for Digital, Data, and Industry, U.S. Mission - EU

12:30 - 13:15 Transfer to Microsoft Center

13:15 – 14:45 **Lunch featuring U.S. and European Industry Perspectives**

Location: Microsoft Center  
Rue Montoyer 51  
1000 Brussels, Belgium

Industry representatives from the U.S. and Europe will meet with the delegation for a roundtable discussion on the effects of U.S. and EU regulations and policies on the digital and industrial sectors. Peter Chase, Senior Fellow at the German Marshall Fund, and Chris Hopfensperger, Executive Director of Software.org, will moderate the discussion. European industry representatives will also discuss present digital transformation case studies for the delegation. The following



representatives from American and European companies have been invited to participate:

- **John Frank**, Vice President, European Government Affairs, Microsoft
- **Mark Lange**, Director, EU Institutional Relations, Microsoft
- **Gunnar Jungk**, Head of Brussels Office, ThyssenKrupp
- **Bertrend Deprez**, Vice President of EU Government Affairs, Schneider Electric

14:45 - 15:15

Transfer to the German Marshall Fund

15:15 – 17:00

**Policy Roundtable on EU Digital Policy Agenda and Emerging Technologies**

Location: The German Marshall Fund of the United States  
Rue de la Loi 155  
1040 Brussels, Belgium

This roundtable session will feature think tank experts, academics, and corporate representatives in a conversation about the EU's digital policy agenda in the next Commission. The discussion will also touch on emerging technologies, their effects on economies and industries, and the efforts to create regulatory policy in this evolving landscape.

- **Andreas Renda**, CEPS and Google Digital Policy Chair, College of Europe
- **Luukas Ilves**, Deputy Director, Lisbon Council
- **Nicholas Hodac**, Government and Regulatory Affairs Executive for IBM Europe, IBM
- **Mario Mariniello**, Digital Policy Advisor, EC President Jean-Claude Juncker

17:00 - 17:30

Transfer to the Steigenberger Hotel

17:30 – 18:30

**Personal Work Period at the Steigenberger Hotel**

18:30 - 19:00

Transfer to La Maison du Cygne

19:00 – 21:00

**Networking Dinner**

Location: La Maison du Cygne  
Grand Place 9  
1000 Brussels, Belgium

Delegation will have an opportunity to reflect on the Brussels programming among themselves and with the trip organizers.

21:00 - 21:30 Transfer to Steigenberger Hotel

Munich: Wednesday, July 4

07:30 **Check-out from Steigenberger Hotel**

07:45 – 08:15 Transfer to Brussels Airport

10:10 – 11:25 **Flight: Brussels to Munich**  
Brussels (BRU) – Munich (MUC)  
Flight Time: 1.25 hrs  
Lufthansa 2285 (10:10 – 11:25)

11:30 – 12:30 Participants retrieve bags and transfer to Allianz Arena

12:30 – 14:30 **Siemens Technology Experience and Data Policy Discussion**

Location: Allianz Arena  
Werner-Heisenberg-Allee 25  
80939 München, Germany

Delegation will go on an in-depth tour of Allianz Stadium’s cutting-edge technologies and Siemens solutions. Participants will also discuss the latest capabilities of Siemens’s software and how these capabilities are being implemented across different sectors with a Siemens technology expert. Lunch will be served during this visit.

- **Sebastian Wolf**, Head of Partner Marketing, Siemens MindSphere
- **Michael Gotthelf**, Business Development, Siemens Energy Management
- **Michael Kessler**, Account Executive, Octagon

14:30 - 15:30 Transfer to Autodesk VR Center

**15:30 – 17:30**      **VR Experience and Emerging Technology Discussion at Autodesk**

Location:      Autodesk VR Center of Excellence  
Aidenbachstraße 56  
81379 Munich, Germany

Delegation will visit Autodesk's VR Center of Excellence in Munich and will engage technology experts in a conversation about emerging technologies and the future of manufacturing. Afterwards, participants will experience a demonstration of Autodesk's VR software technologies.

- **Joerg Winzenhoeller**, Senior Director AE Named Accounts Europe & ANZ, Autodesk
- **Ralf Mosler**, Leader BIM Transformation, AEC Expert Group for Digital Transformation
- **Karl Osti**, Press Spokesperson, Autodesk
- **Lejla Secerbegovic**, Technical Specialist BIM, Autodesk
- **Anna Wanderwitz**, Senior Consultant, Erste Lesung

17:30 - 18:00      Transfer to Hotel Excelsior

18:00 - 19:00      **Participants arrive at Hotel Excelsior, Check-in**  
Schützenstraße 11, 80335 Munich, Germany

19:00 - 19:30      Transfer to Working Dinner

19:30 – 21:30      **Bavarian Perspectives Working Dinner**

Location:      Bavarian Landtag  
Max-Planck-Straße 1  
81675 Munich, Germany

Delegation will meet with representatives of the Bavarian State government to hear their perspective on local efforts to encourage digital innovation in Bavaria.

- **Georg Eisenreich**, Bavarian State Minister for Europe, Digitalization, Media
- **Dr. Florian Herrmann**, Chief of Staff, Bavarian State Chancellery





- **Prof. Gabriel Felbermayr, PhD**, Lead Economist at Ifo Center for International Economics and Director, Leibniz Institute for Economic Research at the University of Munich
- **Erwin Huber**, Member of the Bavarian State Parliament, Chair of the Economic Committee
- **Markus Blume**, MP, Committee for Economics, Head of Working Group on Digitalization, Secretary General (CSU)
- **MinDirig Dr. Manfred Wolter**, Ministry for Economics, Head of Unit 4: Innovation, Research, Technology, Digitalization
- **Thomas Kreuzer**, MP, Parliamentary Party Leader (“Whip”), Working Group on Digitalization (CSU)
- **Dr. Otmar Bernhard**, Working Group on Digitalization, Working Group on Economics and Technology, Parliamentary Group for SMEs
- **MinDirig Adolf Schicker**, Ministry of Education, Head of Unit 1: Digitalization, Education, IT

### Munich: Thursday, July 5

9:00 - 9:15            Gather in Hotel Lobby  
Hotel Excelsior

9:15 - 9:30            Transfer to Salesforce

9:30 – 10:30        **Technology Demo and Data Privacy, AI Conversation at Salesforce**

Location:        Salesforce Innovation Center, Munich  
Erika-Mann-Straße 31  
80636 Munich, Germany

During the visit to Salesforce, the delegation will discuss the impact of Salesforce’s operations in Germany and the importance of transatlantic relations to Salesforce. The discussion will also cover data privacy issues, such as the EU’s General Data Protection Regulation, and the impact of Salesforce’s cutting edge artificial intelligence technologies.

- **Markus Ehrle**, Senior Vice President Germany, Salesforce
- **Nina Keim**, Head of Government Affairs and Public Policy, Salesforce

10:30 - 11:00 Transfer to Adobe

11:00 – 12:00 **Technology Experience and Discussion on GDPR at Adobe**

Location: Abode Munich  
Georg-Brauchle-Ring 58  
80992 Munich, Germany

During this roundtable conversation and technology experience, the delegation will engage Adobe technology experts in a discussion about Adobe's response to Europe's General Data Protection Regulation and Adobe's business operations in Europe. Participants will also experience a showcase of Adobe's digital marketing solutions.

- **Thomas Meyer**, Director Business Development, Abode
- **Heiner Buenting**, Senior Legal Counsel EMEA, Adobe
- **Christoph Richter**, Senior Legal Counsel EMEA, Adobe
- **Thomas Goehlich**, Director Digital Media Sales Germany, Adobe
- **Kate Brightwell**, Senior Manager Government Relations, Adobe

12:00 - 12:30 Transfer to IBM

12:30 – 14:30 **Cognitive Technology Tour and Cybersecurity Discussion at IBM**

Location: IBM Watson IoT Headquarters  
Mies-van-der-Rohe-Straße 6  
80807 Munich, Germany

At IBM, the delegation will engage in a discussion with IBM technology experts on how cognitive technologies can help address cybersecurity concerns in a connected world. Participants will also participate in a hands-on tour of IBM's Watson IoT Headquarters.

This visit will be updated as soon as possible with speaker names and titles.

15:00 – 17:00 **Historic Overview of Munich: Connecting Past and Present, Looking to the Future**

Delegation will participate in guided tour of Munich that will focus on the city's history, culture, and its growing influence as a leading German



city. The tour will cover the unique historical and political context of Munich as both a city and as the state capital of Bavaria. The tour will also discuss how this broader context has been integral to Munich's rise as a global hub for technological innovation.

Tour guide: Michael Borio, A Friend in Munich Guide Service

17:00 - 17:30

Transfer to Hotel Excelsior

17:30 – 19:00

**Personal Work Period at Hotel Excelsior**

19:30 – 21:30

**Working Dinner with US Consulate-Munich**

Location: Spatenhaus  
Residenzstraße 12  
80333 Munich, Germany

Delegation will discuss current transatlantic trends with representatives from the US Consulate in Munich. Additionally, participants will have an opportunity to glean information on US-European relations from US representatives with on-the-ground experience.

- **Jennifer Gavito**, Consul General, US Consulate-Munich

#### Munich/United States: Friday, July 6

07:30 – 08:30

**Breakfast at Hotel Excelsior**

08:30 – 12:00

**Hotel Check-out (times will vary)**

09:00 – 12:00

**Departure for US on Individual Itineraries (Times Will Vary)**

14:00 – 22:00

**Arrival in United States (Times Will Vary)**



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03 April 2018

Dustin Carmack  
The Honorable John Ratcliffe  
United States Senate  
325 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Carmack:

On behalf of The German Marshall Fund of the United States and Software.org: the BSA Foundation, we cordially invite you to participate in the 2018 Transatlantic Technology Congressional Delegation (TTCD) Staff Study Tour. TTCD will take place **July 2-6, 2018**, in **Brussels, Belgium, and Munich, Germany**.

The TTCD presents a unique opportunity for senior Congressional staff to better understand how the “digitalization of everything” is transforming our polities, economies, and societies. This rapid technological change also greatly affects ties between the United States and Europe, with the internet now providing the backbone for \$1 trillion in annual bilateral trade. The study tour will enable staff to engage directly with stakeholders who are integral to the growing transatlantic digital space.

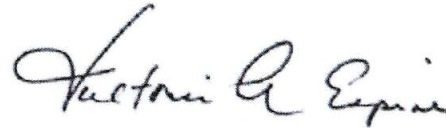
The Brussels programming will take place on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Participants will meet representatives of the European Commission and Parliament as well as industry leaders and other stakeholders to discuss U.S. and EU approaches toward the digital transformation in our economies. The Munich programming will take place on July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Industry representatives will provide an in-depth analysis of the current challenges facing software companies as well as demonstrate the technologies that will shape our future. Additionally, participants will engage with state and local leaders on the policies and initiatives being enacted around technological and digital innovations.

For TTCD inquiries, please contact Reta Jo Lewis, Director of Congressional Affairs at The German Marshall Fund, at [rjlewis@gmfus.org](mailto:rjlewis@gmfus.org), or Software.org Executive Director Chris Hopfensperger at [chris@software.org](mailto:chris@software.org). We look forward to hosting you and your colleagues as we examine the critical role that technology plays in shaping transatlantic relations.

Sincerely,



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