



Transatlantic Cooperation to Strengthen the Recovery
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Cooperation between the U.S. and Europe over the past two years was crucial in avoiding the worst consequences of the international financial crisis. At the lunchtalk to be held on 15 September Charles Collyns (Assistant Secretary for International Finance at the U.S. Treasury) and André Sapir (Senior Fellow at Bruegel and Professor at the ULB), will discuss the outlook for the global economy and the steps the U.S. and Europe can take to strengthen the recovery. Their discussion will focus on how best to continue transatlantic cooperation to lay the foundation for global growth that is strong, sustainable, and balanced.

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