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**2010-05-31 Brussels, Workshop on EU-US relations in the aftermath of the financial, economic and social crisis**

The Directorate-General internal policies of the Union, Economic and Scientific policies has organized a Workshop on "EU-US relations in the aftermath of the financial, economic and social crisis" on 31 May 2010 in the European Parliament. Peter Jungen, the president of the SME UNION has stated the importance of the transatlantic collaboration in the current situation. Joseph R. Mason (Hermann Moyse/LBA Chair of Banking at the Ourso School of Business, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Senior Fellow at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and a Partner at Empiris, LLC); Frances G. Burwell (Vice president, Director to Transatlantic Relations and Studies at the Atlantic Council of the United States, Washington) and Benoît Cœuré (Directeur général adjoint de la Direction Générale du Trésor (Department of Treasury), Paris) have also participated on the event and beside the stimulation of the real economy, they discussed the opportunities of the institutional cooperation between the US Congress and EU Parliament.

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