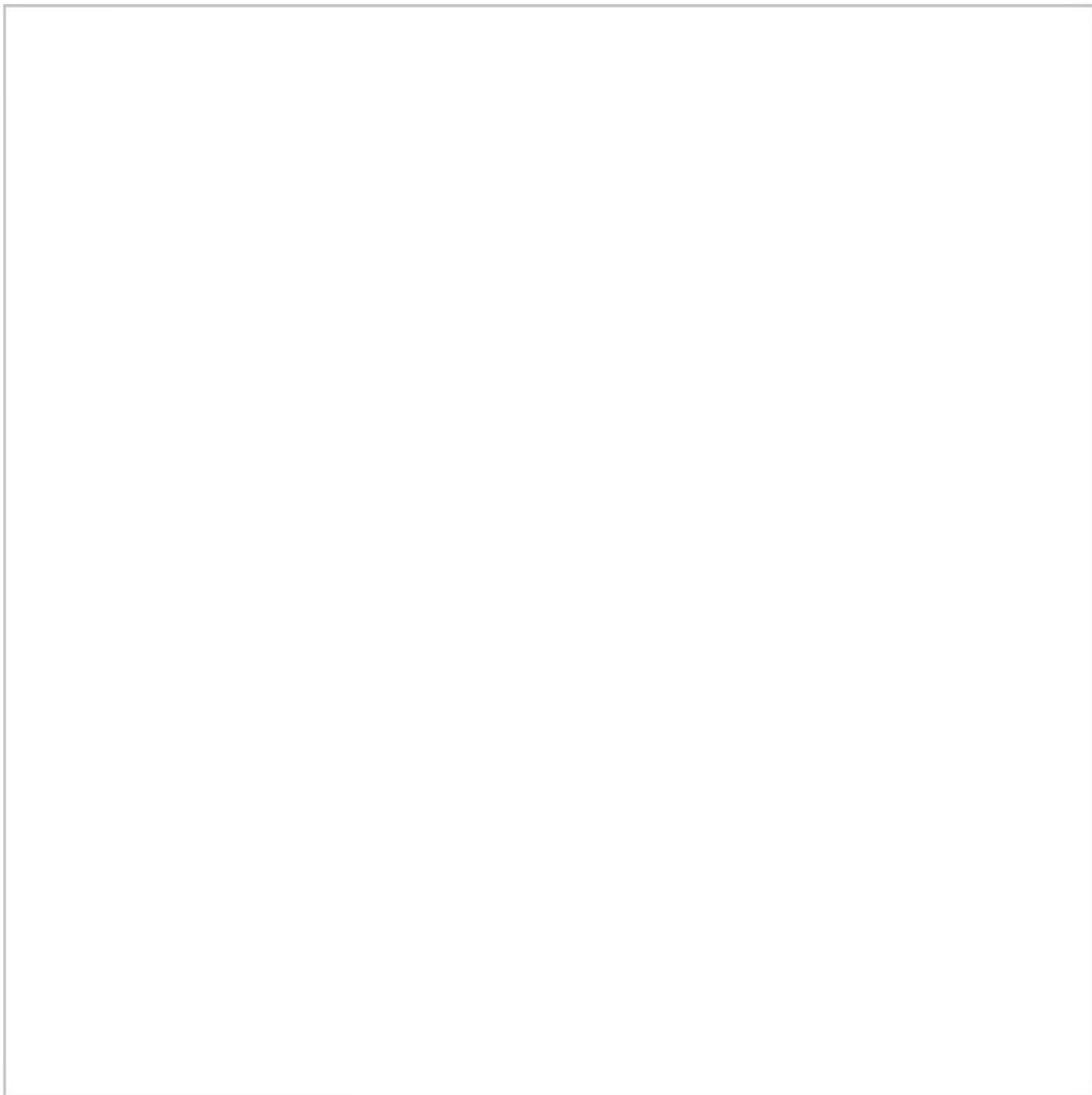


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Dear DGIC Friends,

Enjoy this month's Delegation Debrief, featuring a recap on our event "Deforestation-Free Supply Chains" and exciting upcoming events for this Fall!

Upcoming Events



DC Fly-In: Workforce Development | September 18 - 19

[Register](#)

Our second fly-in event on workforce development is approaching! Join us in Washington, DC, to share your views on policies shaping workforce development and their effects on your business.

German companies in the U.S. are invited to meet with policymakers to discuss workforce and immigration issues, helping to shape regulations that impact their U.S. operations.

Agenda:

Wednesday, September 18 | 4:30PM-6:30PM

Welcome

* Overview of Program

Thursday, September 19 | 9:00AM-9:00PM

Meetings with the U.S. Administration, Congress, the German Embassy, and the National Governor's Association (NGA)

* Meetings with U.S. Congress, the U.S. Department of Commerce, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the U.S. Department of State

* Understand the priorities and agenda of the current Congress

- * Discuss with policy-makers about workforce development and concerns from German companies' point-of-views
- * Learn about the Department of Commerce's workforce development agenda
- Discuss workforce and apprenticeship with the Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship
- * Gain an overview and understanding of the work the NGA is carrying out regarding workforce development
 - * Learn about the benefits of engaging with NGA
- * Meet with the German Embassy to discuss German perspectives of doing business in the U.S.
 - * Networking reception at our Annual Oktoberfest welcoming 200+ guests

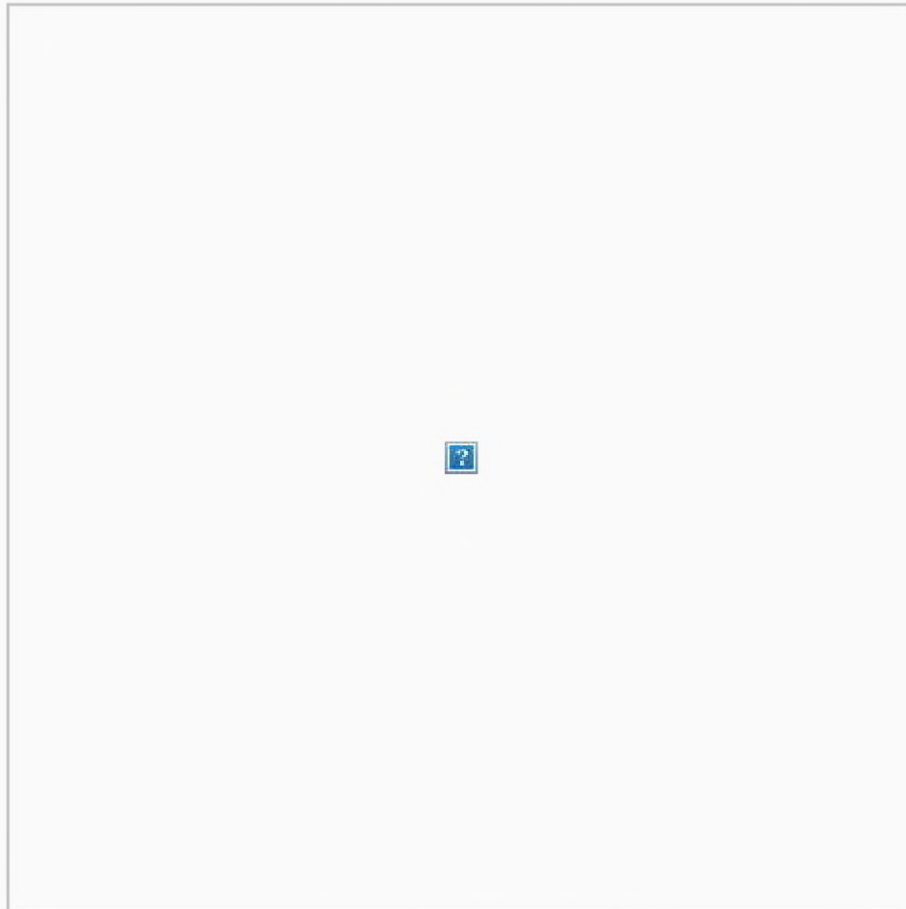


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Save the Date | Oktoberfest 2024 | Thursday, September 19

Become a DGIC Oktoberfest Business Partner

It's almost that time of year again! Save the date for our Annual Oktoberfest celebration on September 19!

Last year, we welcomed over 200 guests from all corners of business, government, and industry professionals alike to the historic Decatur House.

This year, take the next step to enhance your Oktoberfest participation and consider becoming a DGIC Oktoberfest Business Partner! As a Business Partner, you gain access to an exclusive network, giving your company access to both local and global markets.

Benefits include branding on all media, sponsorship acknowledgment during welcome remarks, the opportunity to bring 6 additional guests to the event, and much more. [Learn more and get in touch today!](#)



**Mittelstand Meets Development: A Fact-Finding
Mission to International Finance Institutions |
September 30 - October 3**

Register

Why do business with International Finance Institutions (IFI)?

With a global presence in over 100 countries, IFIs provide a secure gateway to emerging markets worldwide. They also offer valuable opportunities to advance Sustainable Development Goals and access global funding sources, regardless of your company's sector. Join us for a fact-finding mission to Washington, DC, where we'll visit key IFIs: the World Bank Group, Inter-American Development Bank, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Development Finance Corporation.

Agenda:

September 30: Arrival

October 1 - World Bank and International Finance Corporation

- * Welcome from Germany's Executive Director
- * Overview of the World Bank as an institution
- * Overview of Business Opportunities in Operational and Corporate Procurement
 - * Regional Projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America
 - * Digital Topics at the World Bank
- * Investment Opportunities with the International Finance Corporation (IFC)

October 2: Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

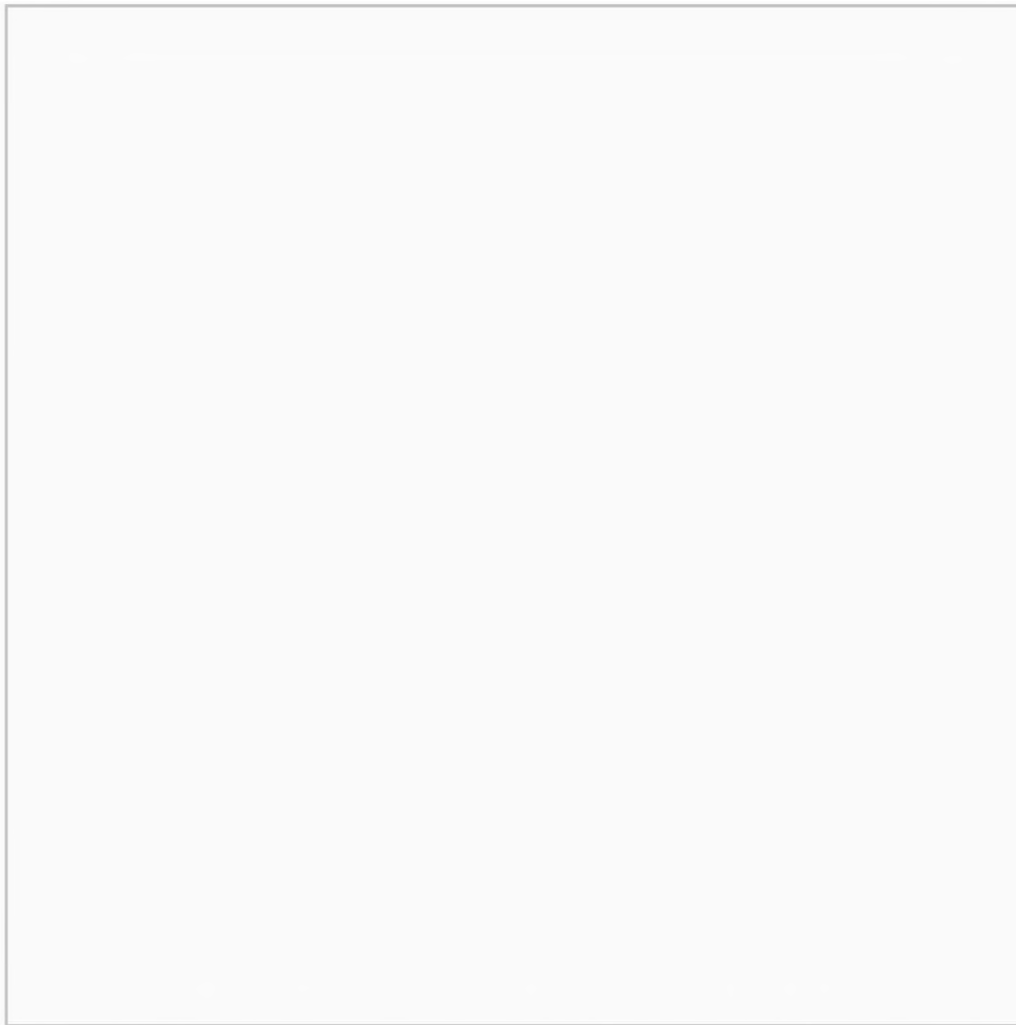
- * Welcome and Overview of IDB
- * IDB Lab: Innovation for Inclusion
- * IDB Invest: Working with the Private Sector
 - * Digital Transformation at IDB

Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)

- * Business Opportunities with MCC
- * Evening Reception at DGIC Office

October 3: Development Finance Corporation and Germany's PSLO Network

- * Work & Programs with the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)
 - * Discussion with Germany's Private Sector Liaison Officers (virtual)
- * Discussion with Partnerships for Finance and Development (PFD) Group



Friday, November 15, 2024, 7:00pm
The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Concert Hall

Don't miss the opportunity to experience one of the most in-demand and high-profile classical music events in Washington, D.C., this fall!

The Berliner Philharmoniker is one of the world's most acclaimed and well-respected orchestras. Washington, D.C., is the first stop of Berliner Philharmoniker's 2024 United States tour (after more than 20 years) under the baton of conductor Kirill Petrenko.

The orchestra is most associated with the extraordinary power, energy, and vitality of their musicians, of their perfectly matched collaborations with legendary conductors and soloists, deep love and care for both traditional and contemporary repertoire, and so much more. Joined by internationally renowned violinist—Washington Performing Arts frequent collaborator and longtime friend—Hilary Hahn, this performance will surely be an evening of unforgettable artistic excellence.

Visit WashingtonPerformingArts.org, email PatronServices@WashingtonPerformingArts.org, or call the Box Office at (202) 785-9727 for ticket and group sales (10 people or more) information.

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2025 German American Business Awards - Applications Now Open!

Join us in celebrating excellence in the German American business community! [Applications for our 2025 German American Business Awards](#) are now open for the following award categories:

Community Engagement: Recognizing businesses driving social responsibility.

Economic Development: Celebrating organizations that spur economic growth.

Innovation: Honoring breakthroughs that advance industries.

Services: Acknowledging unmatched customer satisfaction and efficiency.

Cooldest German Thing Made in the USA (People's Choice): Showcasing unique products that exemplify German American collaboration.

[Apply today and highlight your organization's impact and innovation!](#)

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Paths to Creating Deforestation-Free Supply Chains: The EU Deforestation Regulation and Other Approaches

We hosted over 80 guests at our office for an engaging conference on European Union deforestation regulations, featuring a range of distinguished panelists.

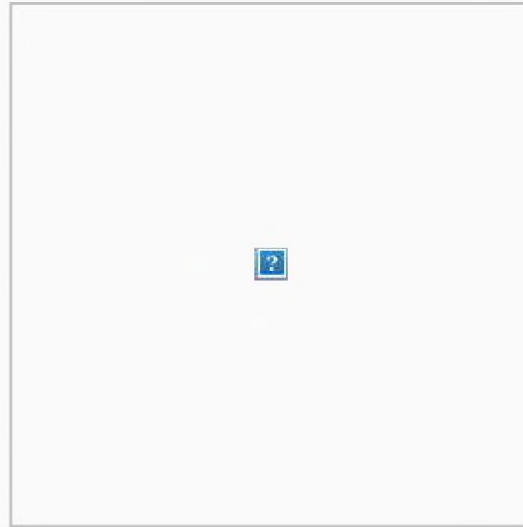
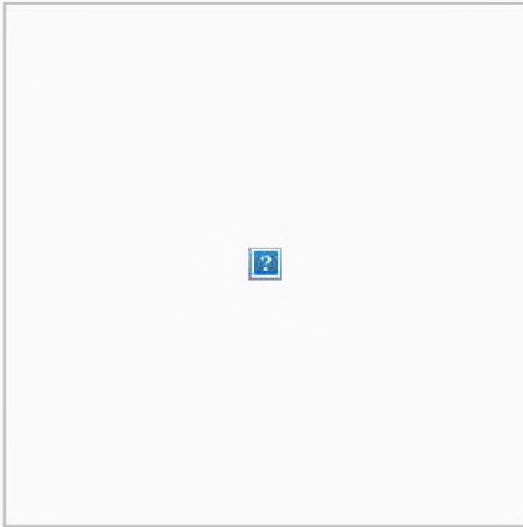
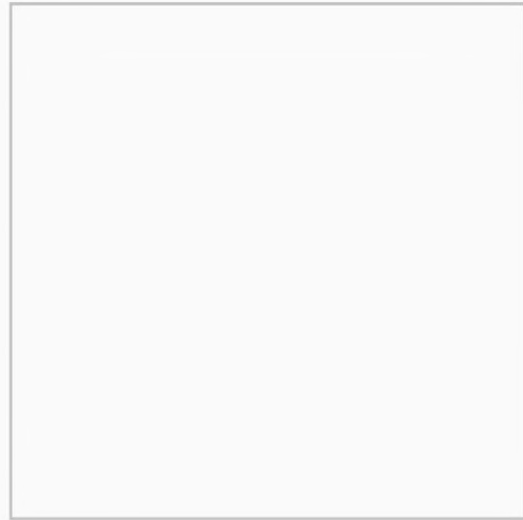
The event commenced with welcome remarks from Andreas Michaelis, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United States, and Jovita Neliupšienė, Ambassador of the European Union to the United States. The conference then covered global deforestation initiatives and the background and methodology of the EU deforestation regulation (EUDR). We also heard insights from government and business representatives on the challenges and successes of EUDR implementation and global efforts to combat deforestation.

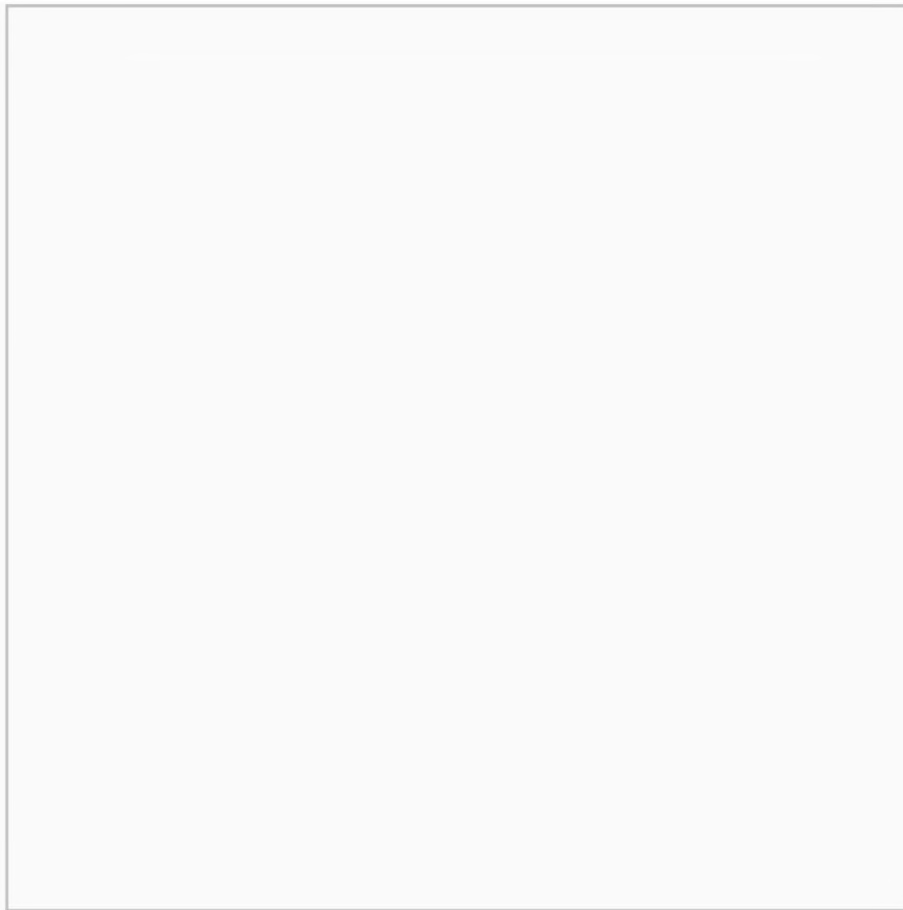
Events and discussions like these continue to highlight the ongoing collaboration between

transatlantic businesses and the pursuit of global sustainability.

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