

Members of the Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI)
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Dear Member of the JURI Committee,

The upcoming hearings of the Commissioners-designate provide an opportunity for Members of the European Parliament to put boosting the EU economy and its attractiveness for investment at the top of the political agenda. As the voice for more than 160 American companies committed to Europe on trade, investment and competitiveness issues, the American Chamber of Commerce to the EU (AmCham EU) has a vital interest in ensuring that the EU's competitiveness ambitions are translated into actionable policies.

AmCham EU's internal committees and taskforces, composed of American company representatives invested in Europe and staunchly supportive of the Single Market, have identified several key questions for the European Parliament's upcoming confirmation hearings of the Commissioners-designate. The following questions are designed to elicit concrete strategies to embed competitiveness in their respective portfolios and guide the evaluation of candidates at the hearings for which the JURI Committee is jointly responsible:

Valdis Dombrovskis (Latvia)

- **Regulatory simplification:** What factors would you prioritise when, for example, leading negotiations on a renewed interinstitutional agreement on simplification and better lawmaking: developing a competitiveness coordination tool or developing the small and medium-sized enterprises and competitiveness check?
- **Listening to business:** How would you ensure business is included during stakeholder consultations and that business' concerns about regulatory burden are incorporated into your agenda? Would you consider recommendations from business such as [AmCham EU's Competitiveness Scorecard](#)?

Michael McGrath (Ireland)

- **Fairness and certainty in enforcement:** How would you ensure that all existing EU consumer protection regulations are clear, enforceable and consistently applied across Member States? How would you enforce legislation uniformly and without discrimination against non-EU companies operating in Europe, while ensuring that the Commission has sufficient resources for implementations and enforcement?
- **Digital Fairness Act:** How would you ensure that the proposed Digital Fairness Act would not overlap with areas already regulated by the Digital Services Act?
- **Bringing transparency to litigation funding:** Would you follow [the European Parliament's 2022 recommendation](#) to regulate the third-party litigation funding industry, bring transparency and oversight to the litigation funding sector and protect business and consumers from the development of a toxic class action litigation culture in the EU?

We hope these questions will contribute to a robust and constructive dialogue during the hearings. AmCham EU remains at your disposal for any further information.



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