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## **TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY EIN/IRI/TAG meetings**

5.00 - 6.00pm Meeting with **Adam Lovinger**, *Net Assessment, former member of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, USA and Georgetown University professor*

**VENUE: Hotel Sofitel Lafayette**  
**Concorde room**

Members of the EPP Delegation met with Mr. Adam Lovinger, former member of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, USA and a professor at the Georgetown University to exchange on “alliance strategy in an age of uncertainty”.

Mr Lovinger’s intervention circled around the challenges of “alliance strategy in an age of uncertainty”, highlighting and developing the following points:

- Politicians in “messy liberal democracies” are currently victims of their internal problems and thus fail to focus upon long-term strategy.
- All members of the Transatlantic Alliance are hit repeatedly by similar distracting forces to their capacity to plan and implement long-term strategy.
- The need for Transatlantic alliance strategy is greater now than at any time since the end of the Cold War for multitude of reasons.
- A “collaborative net assessment” amongst key members of the Transatlantic Alliance is the most propitious, least costly, approach available to resuscitate the alliance.

The followed an extended exchange with Q&A among all the participants and the speaker.