

EIN Lunch debate on:

**“What future for the EU-US
relationship in a new era?”**

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From the onset of Daniels' education and political career he was able to volunteer on many local, state, and federal campaigns across the United States. Those opportunities spurred his successful educational background at Baylor University, where he earned a BA in International Relations and an MPPA in Public Policy and Administration. During his education, he was actively involved in various community and civic organizations, employment with a national Political Action Committee, travel twice with Baylor's Turkey/Greece international study programs, and other significant political projects as well.

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