

# **AMCHAM NEWS**

### FOR MEMBERS

AGM & SUMMER PARTY EDITION • JULY 2025



### Eglé de Richemont Managing Director



Our annual General Assembly was held on June 12th, offering the opportunity to reflect on key milestones from the past year and to reaffirm our role as a vital bridge between French and American business communities. It was such a pleasure to have so many of you join us for this beautiful summer evening.

In an increasingly complex and uncertain global landscape, the momentum of our community underscores **the relevance of our mission** and the growing appeal of AmCham to both American and French companies.

Our team is now preparing for an ambitious fall season and remains fully open to your suggestions, ideas, and feedback.

On behalf of our **new President, Mickaël Locoh**, our Executive committee and the entire AmCham team, thank you for your continued support and engagement. We wish you all a wonderful summer break!

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# Mickaël Locoh New AmCham France President

# Congratulations on your election! What motivated you to run for the AmCham Presidency?

When you witness the collective strength of AmCham's member companies and the powerful results this shared intelligence can produce, it is hard not to want to get more involved. Add to that the drive and enthusiasm of the incredible team led by Eglé, and stepping up felt like a natural next step.

#### Why is this role important to you?

First, I want to express my gratitude to Natacha, the Executive Committee, and the Board for their trust in choosing me to lead the world's oldest American Chamber of Commerce.

It is not so much the role itself that matters to me, but the responsibility of setting the right momentum – ensuring that AmCham remains strong for the next 130 years.

# What direction do you want to give AmCham in the coming two years?

We need to build on the remarkable work led by Natacha, Eglé, and the entire team over the past two years. In a time of widespread uncertainty, AmCham must remain a trusted space for dialogue, collaboration, and engagement – not only for our American and French members but also as a bridge to the broader economic and institutional landscape.



Vice President & General Manager for Southern Europe & Africa at **Steelcase** 

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS: 3 NEW MEMBER COMPANIES**



DELOITTE
Represented by
Emmanuel GERMAIN
Associé – Cybersecurity,
Digital Transformation &
Strategic Risk



DELTA AIR LINES
Represented by
David R. WERNER
Managing Director - International
Government Affairs, Regulatory &
Policy



HEWLETT PACKARD ENTERPRISE
Represented by
Laurent DEGRE
Vice President & General Manager
France

#### 34 Board Members as of June 12, 2025

- Alain SIMONNET 3M
- Fabien MENANT Airbus
- Corinne BLACHIER-POISSON Amgen
- Catherine MONIER Apple
- François ROBINET AVP
- Marc-André KAMEL Bain & Company
- Vincent JOULIA Banque Transatlantique
- Caroline PEZ-LEFEVRE BNP Paribas
- Jacques-Philippe ROEDERER Cisco
- Cécile RATCLIFFE Citi
- Mickaël VINET Coca-Cola

- Emmanuel GERMAIN Deloitte
- David R. WERNER Delta Air Lines
- Natacha RAFALSKI- Disneyland Paris
- Bijan EGHBAL DLA Piper
- Aude PERTOLDI Dow
- Régis HOURIEZ Ernst & Young
- Vincenzo ESPOSITO-VINZI ESSEC
- Charles AMYOT Exxon Mobil
- Julien DUCOUP FedEx Express
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- Delphine AGUILERA-CARON Johnson & Johnson
- Benoît DERIGNY ManpowerGroup
- Laure MAHE Mars
- Christophe NEGRIER Oracle
- Thibault LEFEBURE Otis
- Béatrice DUPUY Procter & Gamble
- Vincent SADE Prologis
- Marianne MARECHAL Ralph Lauren
- Nadine STUTTER-PRÉVOT Sodexo
- Mickaël LOCOH Steelcase
- Tarik CHOHO Westinghouse



### Natacha Rafalski Outgoing AmCham France President (June 2023 - June 2025)

### You are concluding your two-year term as President: what will you take away from this experience?

A great deal of collective energy, productive discussions, and a strong shared commitment to strengthening transatlantic ties. These two years have been full of valuable lessons, inspiring encounters, and meaningful engagement, all within a context of global transformation.

#### What are the 2 achievements you are most proud of?

I'm proud to have contributed to increasing AmCham's visibility within the economic and institutional ecosystem, and to have supported our Members during a time marked by unprecedented geopolitical and economic changes by encouraging agility and dialogue between public and private stakeholders.

### What would you like to wish Mickaël Locoh - and more broadly, AmCham - for the future?

I hope Mickaël enjoys this role as much as I have. His experience and commitment will be tremendous assets. More broadly, I wish AmCham continued success in championing its mission - with optimism and conviction - supporting the major transitions ahead and further strengthening dialogue and cooperation between France and the United States.



President of **Disneyland Paris** 

"I'M PROUD TO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO INCREASING AMCHAM'S VISIBILITY WITHIN THE ECONOMIC & INSTITUTIONAL ECOSYSTEM."

### MANY THANKS TO OUR AGM & SUMMER PARTY SPONSORS









































# Anton'Maria Battesti Director of Public Affairs France



Once again this year, Meta supported our Annual General Meeting as a key sponsor. We spoke with Anton'Maria Battesti, Director of Public Affairs France, who shared his thoughts and takeaways from the day.

### What stood out to you most during this year's AGM & Summer Party?

The energy of optimism and resilience. At a time marked by uncertainty and rapid change, it was truly uplifting to see the AmCham community come together with such openness and generosity. What struck me most was the collective spirit - a shared belief that dialogue, trust, and human connection remain essential. The Summer Party created space for sincere, informal exchanges. Hats off to Eglé and her team for orchestrating such a warm and inspiring moment.

## What will you remember from Natacha Rafalski's presidency, and what would you wish to our new President, Mickaël Locoh?

Natacha led with clarity, composure, and unwavering dedication. She brought people together, gave direction when it was most needed, and infused every exchange with authenticity and care. Even in uncertain times, she embodied values of kindness, creativity, and optimism that quietly inspired around her. Her leadership left a lasting impact on the Chamber and on all of us who had the chance to work alongside her. Simply put: thank you, Natacha.

To Mickaël, I wish every success. His experience in workspace strategy and his global perspective are strong assets to lead AmCham into its next chapter.

### What role do you see AmCham playing today and in the future—particularly for Meta?

AmCham is more than a platform – it is a bridge between people, sectors and ideas. For Meta, it is a trusted forum to engage, listen and grow alongside a community committed to constructive dialogue and long-term partnerships.

## Looking ahead, what are Meta's top priorities and challenges in the coming months?

We will continue to focus on open and responsible innovation – building partnerships, investing in ideas, and contributing to shared progress with care, humility, and ambition.



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# Looking back at our Summer Party

































































## Raffle time!

This year, 15 lucky attendees went home with beautiful gifts generously provided by Member companies



Stryker













Delta Air Lines

Meta

Mondelez AmCham



# Welcome

to 32 new Member companies who joined us since June 2024

































































### SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR UPCOMING EVENTS!

### Flagship event

 Transatlantic Business Club: Oct.-Nov. (date TBC)

### Exclusive discussion: Oct. 1st

 Christelle Morançais, President of Pays de la Loire region

### "Dîners Ministres" (personal invitation)

- Yaël Braun-Pivet : Sept. 15
- Catherine Vautrin (date TBC)
- Philippe Baptiste (date TBC)

### Women Leaders Club: Sept. 19



"Patron only" gathering: Sept. 16

Meta

### **Working sessions**

- Bruno Bonnell: June 30
- Charles Rodwell: Sept. 9
- Guillaume Clédière (date TBC)
- Jérôme Marchand-Arvier (date TBC)

### AmCham Series

- 2d Wave of the Survey "French Public Opinion on the Presidential Election": June 27
- Second Edition of our *Candidate* Notebook: **beginning of July**

### **Position papers**

- Simplification
- Télétravail

...and more to come!



# Important news

## from our Members

### **#Nominations**

Jo Sempels has been appointed President and CEO of McDonald's France, after 33 years with the company, during which he notably led the Belgian and Dutch markets.





Louis Henocq has been appointed President of Iron Mountain France to accelerate the growth of the French subsidiary of the global leader in physical and digital information management, protection, and storage.

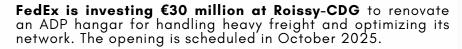
CommStrat welcomes Thomas Fillias as Director of Strategy. He will bring his expertise to companies facing complex challenges such as regulation, sovereignty, and public acceptance.



### #Investments & openings



**DHL Express** is celebrating 40 years at Lyon-Saint Exupéry with the **opening of its first hybrid multi-service site in France**, representing an investment of €121 million.







Fives has opened a new subsidiary in the United States. As a global leader in industrial engineering, this new entity is dedicated to its cement operations in the American market.

Dow has inaugurated a new state-of-the-art production line using BLUEWAVE™ technology at its Lauterbourg site. It will help meet the demand for products that are easier to recycle and require fewer resources.





### #Offers & marketing

After 11 years, **the "Share a Coke" campaign** is making its return to France—an iconic initiative designed to strengthen closeness & celebrate human connections.





**HPE supports businesses in measuring, monitoring, and reducing their environmental impact.** The goal is to identify the right indicators to meet reporting requirements & enable informed decision-making.

### #Focus



As a consequence of the American political climate, **Banque Transatlantique** is observing **an increase in asset transfers** to Europe by French nationals living in the United States, **a slowdown in expatriations**, and **an acceleration in returns**.

# Do you know what benefits come with your Membership?

		ADVOCACY		COMMUNITY						VISIBILITY			
	Participate in Committees • Policy • CSR • Tax	Participate in Advocacy Delegations (in line with AmCham's interest)	Particpate in Working Groups	Attend Confidentials	Attend Exclusive Events & diners (subject to availability)	Attend CEO/Top executives' gatherings (Women Leaders Club)	Attend Talks & Debates	Participate in Clubs • HR • CFO • Innovation • Cyber	Priority invitation to partners events	Exposure on our Website & Newsletters	Exposure & access to our directory	Exposure on our social media (in line with AmCham interest)	Exposure through speaking opportunities at our high-level events
PATRON (15 beneficiaries) 14 000€	*	*	*	*	*	*	(In person or webinar)	*	*	*	*	*	*
ASSOCIATE (6 beneficiaries) 8 000€	*		*	th (up to availability)			(In person or webinar)	*	*	*	*		
CORPORATE (3 beneficiaries) 2 500€	Only: CSR Societal Tax		*				(In person or webinar)	*	*		*		
ACADEMIC & Other Private Organizations (3 beneficiaries) 2 500€	Only: • CSR Societal • Tax		*				<b>★</b> (Webinar)	*			*		
ENTREPRENEUR (2 beneficiaries) 900€							<b>★</b> (Webinar)	*			*		
NON-PROFIT & Public Organization (2 beneficiaries) 900€							<b>★</b> (Webinar)	*			*		



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