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FIU Undergraduate Essay Contest 2012: THINK TRANSATLANTIC CAMPAIGN The United States and Germany

Possible Essay Topics for the Think Transatlantic Campaign:

- 1) Assess the future relevance of the U.S.- German partnership against the backdrop of our globalized world order?
- 2) Evaluate the significance of the Marshall Plan for transatlantic relations, both back in 1948 and today.
- 3) Is NATO mostly obsolete or more important than ever? What should its political and military role be?
- 4) The Cold war-- Discuss America's impact on European integration.
- 5) Will transatlantic relations suffer or be reinforced by a rising China-- Assess.
- 6) Robert Kagan's 'Paradise of Power'-- America Mars, Europe venus. Describe the significance of transatlantic relations with particular regard to common values.
- 7) Describe the evolution of the transatlantic relationship between Germany and the United States. Where will it lead to in the future?
- 8) Immigration and integration: Discuss differences in the immigration policies between the United States and Germany. What can we learn from each other?
- 9) Does the transatlantic climate change partnership still matter? Does it need to be strengthened or to be changed after the Copenhagen climate summit and if so, how?
- 10) Defending democracies under threat: What can and should be a transatlantic response to promoting, consolidating and sustaining democracy around the world?

This Essay Contest is part of the program Think Transatlantic Campus Weeks

For more information, go to the following link:

http://www.aermany.info/Vertretung/usa/en/02_GIC/GIC/05/06_Think_Transatlantic/05_CampusWeeks/CampusWeeksMain.html