Transatlantic Relations in the 21st Century: Europe, America and the Rise of the Rest
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A book discussion with

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This book offers an overview of the interface between European integration, transatlantic relations, and the “rise of the rest” in the early 21st century. In spite of the oft-heralded “pivot to Asia,” the U.S. simultaneously remains an “indispensable” and “intolerable” nation in Europe, inextricably tied to the continent through economic, military and cultural links. Erwan Lagadec’s new book reframes commonplace characterizations of the transatlantic alliance and the emergence of new powers through a multidisciplinary approach that in turns assesses grand strategy, normative culture, threat definition, high & low politics, hard & soft power, and the balance of power among international organizations. Further details can be found at: http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415683210/.

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