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# Industrial Transformation and Democracy

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Interpretation FR/EN/ES/DE

Moderator: **Fearghas O'BEARA**, EPRS (European Parliament Research Service)

### **17.00 Opening of the Conference**

- **Nathalie SARRABEZOLLES**, (FR/PES), COR COTER Commission Chair
- **Congresswoman Cheri BUSTOS**, D/Illinois, U.S. House of Representatives

### **17.15 Presentation of insights from the transatlantic symposium on transforming industrial regions and its November 21 report**

- **Jeffrey ANDERSON**, Georgetown University BMW Center for German and European Affairs
- **John AUSTIN**, (Director, Michigan Economic Center and Non-resident Senior Fellow with the Chicago Council on Global Affairs and the Brookings Institution)

### **17.30 Political roundtable discussion on industrial change and democracy**

- **Mariví MONTESERÍN RODRIGUEZ**, Mayor of Aviles, Spain
- **François DECOSTER**, (FR/RE) Mayor of Saint Omer, France
- **Anna HETMAN**, Mayor of Jastrzębie-Zdrój, Poland
- **Congressman Ro KHANNA**, California, U.S. House of Representatives
- **Steve PATTERSON**, Mayor of Athens, Ohio, USA
- **Mike BRADLEY**, Mayor of Sarnia, Ontario, Canada
- **Maureen DONKER**, Mayor of Midland, Michigan, USA

### **18.50 Closing remarks**

- **Mark SPEICH**, (DE/EPP) State Secretary of North Rhine Westphalia, Germany
- **Peter BERKOWITZ**, European Commission

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