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KATHERINE TAI**

UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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AMBASSADOR KATHERINE TAI

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Ambassador Katherine Tai will receive the Harry LeRoy Jones Award for her outstanding contribution to the restoration of multilateralism in United States' trade policy, achieved by leveraging long-standing partnerships with allied nations while also advancing shared international objectives, such as addressing inequalities, promoting labor and environmental standards, and fostering a more resilient and fair global economy.

Ambassador Tai was sworn in as the 19th United States Trade Representative on March 18, 2021. As a member of the President's Cabinet, Ambassador Tai is the principal trade advisor, negotiator, and spokesperson on U.S. trade policy.

Prior to her unanimous Senate confirmation, Ambassador Tai spent most of her career in public service focusing on international economic diplomacy, monitoring, and enforcement. She previously served as Chief Trade Counsel and Trade Subcommittee Staff Director for the House Ways and Means Committee in the United States Congress. In this capacity, Ambassador Tai played a pivotal role in shaping U.S. trade law, negotiations strategies, and bilateral and multilateral agreements, including the recently re-negotiated United-States-Mexico-Canada Agreement.

Ambassador Tai is an experienced World Trade Organization (WTO) litigator. She previously developed and tried cases for the Office of the United States Trade Representative, eventually becoming the Chief Counsel for China Trade Enforcement. Before transitioning to federal service, she practiced law in the private sector, clerked for district judges, and taught English in Guangzhou, China.

Ambassador Tai earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Yale University and a Juris Doctor from Harvard Law School.



AMBASSADOR STAVROS LAMBRINIDIS

AMBASSADOR OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO THE UNITED STATES

Ambassador Stavros Lambrinidis will introduce Ambassador Tai.

Ambassador Lambrinidis is the Ambassador of the European Union to the United States as of March 1, 2019. He previously served as the European Union Special Representative for Human Rights, Foreign Affairs Minister of Greece, and twice as an elected Member of the European Parliament.

Ambassador Lambrinidis has received recognitions for his work on human rights and privacy, including the Electronic Privacy Information Center's "Champion of Freedom Award" in 2020 and the Boston Global Forum's "World Leader in Artificial Intelligence Award" in 2021. He is a member of the President's Council on International Activities at Yale University and a former president of the DC Bar Association's Human Rights Committee.

Ambassador Lambrinidis received a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and political science from Amherst College and a Juris Doctor from Yale Law School.

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