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Alexandra de Hoop Scheffer is a senior transatlantic fellow and serves as the director of the [Paris office](#) of The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF). An accomplished expert on U.S. foreign policy, transatlantic relations and international security, de Hoop Scheffer has held several positions in government and academia, and is the author of many publications on these issues.

From Paris and in close cooperation with all GMF's offices, she has initiated and leads two major programs:

- The [Transatlantic Security Program](#), which brings together three times a year in Paris and other GMF locations, a group of high-level U.S. and European security experts; senior officials from NATO, the European Union and members of the U.S. administration; policymakers and policy planners from around the world; and representatives of the private sector, to explore the security priorities for transatlantic cooperation in the years to come and develop concrete and focused policy recommendations, with the overarching goal of reaching out to a wide transatlantic audience about the future of transatlantic security cooperation and providing policy-makers and experts with fresh perspectives and understandings of the global geopolitical challenges that unite the transatlantic partners and structure future policies of and towards NATO.
- The [Transatlantic Strategy Group on the Future of U.S. Global Leadership](#), in partnership with several Paris-based think tanks and Chatham House. This program is designed to enhance the European understanding of the future of American global leadership. It aims to assess and anticipate the impact of changes in the strategic orientations of American foreign policy on the future of European foreign policy, by convening a group of scholars and officials from the United States and Europe three times over the course of a year to discuss specific challenges and opportunities facing the transatlantic partners.

She is the editor of the programs' related publications, the [Transatlantic Security Task Force Series](#) and [The Future of U.S. Leadership Series](#).

From 2009 to 2011, she served as a special adviser on the United States and transatlantic relations at the Centre d'Analyse et de Prévision (the Policy Planning Staff) of the French Foreign Ministry. During that period, she conducted her Ph.D. research on the U.S. regime change policy from Iraq to the Arab Revolutions (2003-2011) and was also an adjunct professor at Sciences-Po in Paris. From 2010 to 2013, she was an advisor to USEUCOM Commander and SACEUR, Admiral James Stavridis, as part of the Next Generation Advisory Panel. From 2006 to 2009, she served as a regular consultant and contributed

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