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Gary Litman, senior vice president of Global Initiatives at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, is responsible for the Chamber’s policy advocacy for the economic reform agenda of the G20, G7, and international institutions. He leads the Chamber’s participation in a range of global business coalitions and related business summits focused on sustainable economic policies. Further, he oversees the policy development of the Chamber’s Global Resource Sustainability Task Force, the International Policy Coalition for Sustainable Growth, the Global Business for Health Partnership, and dialogues with the IMF, the World Bank Group, OECD, and U.N. agencies, among other institutions.

Previously, Litman served as the Chamber’s vice president for Europe and Eurasia. He managed the programs and staff working on transatlantic relations in Washington, D.C., and Brussels, as well as project-specific consultants working in the EU, Central Asia, and Russia. He has established the Chamber as one of the most influential business institutions on European affairs.

Litman is a frequently quoted authority on G20 policies, as well as U.S. business interests in Europe and Eurasia. In 2003, the Federal Republic of Germany recognized him with its Friendship Award. He is a member of the World Policy Conference, Paris, and the World Economic Forum expert community.

His public speaking experience includes testifying on behalf of the U.S. Chamber before the U.S. Congress, delivering keynotes and serving on panels at the United Nations, and participating in various international fora and major U.S. and international conferences. He has published papers on transatlantic policy, export controls, privatization, the oil and gas industry, and intellectual property.

Before joining the Chamber in 1995, Litman was an attorney with Stewart and Stewart in Washington, D.C., specializing in international trade policy and transactions.

A native of Moscow, Russia, he received his J.D. from The George Washington University’s National Law Center in Washington, D.C., where he was the first J.D. student from the post-Soviet Union nations and was a member of the law school’s prestigious Journal of International Law and Economics editorial board.