Question for written answer E-004570/2021 to the Commission

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Subject: Cooperation with the US on semiconductors and the European Chips Act

According to the inaugural joint statement of the EU-US Trade and Technology Council¹, issued on 29 September 2021, 'The European Union and the United States reaffirm our commitment to building a partnership on the rebalancing of global supply chains in semiconductors with a view to enhancing respective security of supply as well as their respective capacity to design and produce semiconductors, especially, but not limited to, those with leading-edge capabilities. This partnership should be balanced and of equal interest for both sides. We underline the importance of working together to identify gaps in the semiconductor value chain, and strengthening our domestic semiconductor ecosystems'.

- 1. How will cooperation between the EU and the US on semiconductors (chips) be organised in order to secure EU supplies and reduce dependence on Asia?
- 2. How will cooperation with the US influence the future European Chips Act announced by the President of the Commission during the State of the Union speech on 15 September 2021²?

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