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The growing volume of cross-border trade in digital information is becoming an increasingly important driver of economic innovation and growth, as well as a key component of international trade. This reality raises a host of new and complex questions about the “rules of the road” that should govern data storage, security and privacy, and, ultimately, the Internet itself.

The conference will grapple with three key questions: 1) How is the data boom driving economic growth in the United States and Europe?; 2) What are the economic consequences of privacy regulations, and can Americans and Europeans find compatible approaches to privacy? and, 3) How can policy-makers best balance the competing imperatives of Internet freedom and responsible internet governance?