

E. U. delegate speaks on political relations

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Ambassador Angelos Pangratis, deputy head of the delegation of the European Commission to the United States, lectured on E.U.-U.S. economic and political relations to Mississippi State University students and faculty in the Dorman Hall auditorium Wednesday.

He spoke about cooperation between the E.U. and the U.S., addressing how both presidential candidates will bring further cooperation.

"They have

announced initiatives and policy that will certainly go in the direction of European positions," he said. "For example they have outlined plans to address climate change, like

emission control, where both candidates have indicated willingness to accept targets of emission reductions, and eventually accept cap and trade systems for emissions."



Pangratis

In a cap and trade system, the government puts a limit on CO2 emissions, and companies that go above the limit must buy emission rights from companies that do not exceed the limit.

"It is a very important issue for the Europeans, and we consider it an important instrument to control CO2 emissions and climate change," Pangratis said.

The chair of International Security Studies, Janos Radvanyi said when Pangratis spoke in Jackson two years ago he found it was important for

Americans to have a clear view on where they stand with the Atlantic Alliance, the alliance between the U.S. and the E.U. He said he learned from Pangratis that some countries have made great progress by joining the E.U.

Director of the Stennis Institute of Government Marty Wiseman said it is important for Mississippi to recognize the global economy.

"The days are long gone when a country or certainly a state could isolate itself and survive without contact

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