Merkel, Macron laud efforts to challenge Trump on Paris climate deal

German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Emmanuel Macron applauded efforts to challenge President Trump’s climate change policies at the Bonn Climate Change Conference on Nov. 15.

Sustaining our conditions for living is the premise for being able to economize successfully in the first place. And against this backdrop in the US, a broad alliance made up of numerous states, cities and businesses has formed and put forward a commitment to America’s pledge. I would like to warmly welcome this step as it emphasizes the support for the Climate Agreement across large parts of the US, regardless of the decision of President Trump to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement - Angela Merkel COP23 Bonn 2017

The IPCC is one of the major actors in this, but today it's under threat from the United States’ decision to not guarantee its funding. I would therefore like Europe to stand in the place of the Americans and I want to tell you here that France won’t be taking a back seat. Emmanuel Macron