

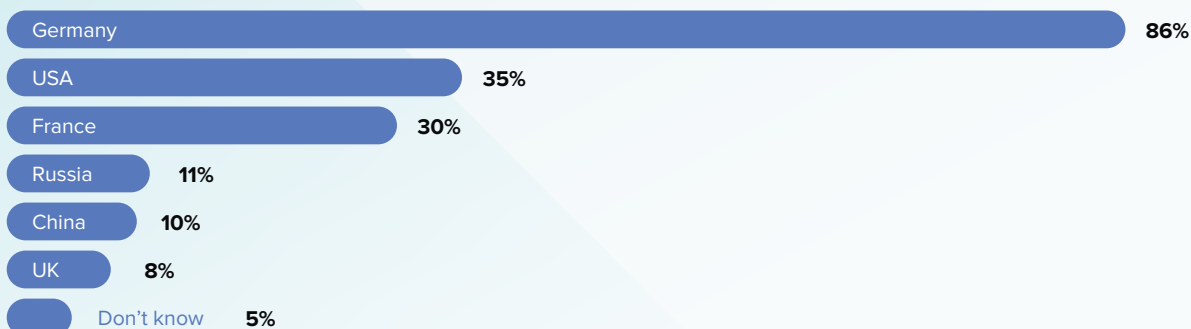
# GLOBSEC Trends **2021**

## Austria Fact Sheet



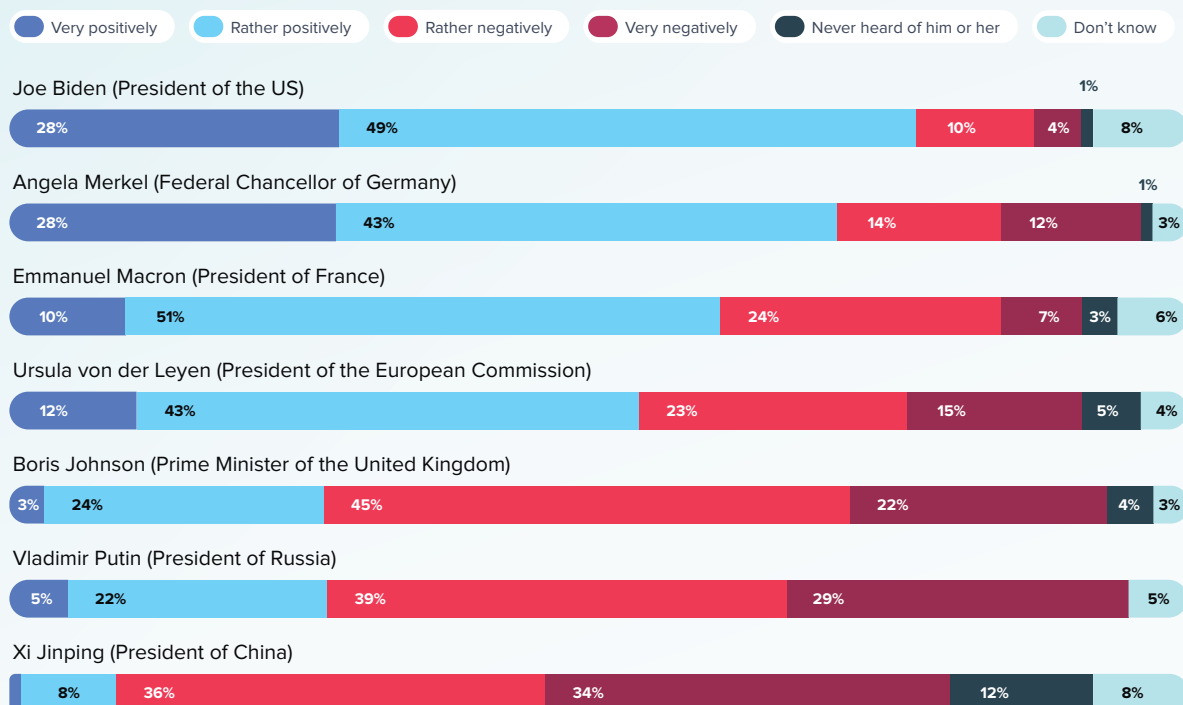
### Which of the following countries are the most important strategic partners of Austria today? (Pick max. 2)

Germany traditionally is perceived as Austria's most important partner. In the public's view France, as the other part of the Franco-German tandem in the EU, has much less importance. After the Brexit, the UK no longer plays a relevant role.



### Have you already heard about the following world political leaders and if yes, please tell, whether you perceive them positively or negatively.\*

After years of rising distrust in the US, the new president Joe Biden has put the country's image back on track. While EU leaders are regarded quite positively, this is not the case with those of Russia and China nor with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

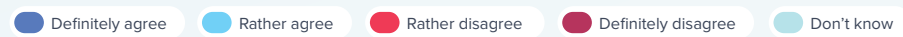


## If there is an increased confrontation between the US and China where should the EU position itself?



## To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Austrians want a stronger and self-confident European Union on the world scene – not least because of the rising influence of China. Despite recent crisis, the system of democracy and rule of law is undisputed.



Democracy as a system based on equality, human rights and freedoms and rule of law is good for my country.



The EU should act as one on the world scene.



I am worried about rising Chinese economic power.



The Chinese regime could be an inspiration for our country.

