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## **GERMANY'S CHANCELLOR MERKEL WARNS AGAINST PROTECTIONISM AHEAD OF G20 SUMMIT**

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Germanys Chancellor has warned world powers of the dangers of protectionism, ahead of Julys G20 summit in Hamburg.

Speaking at a business forum in Berlin, Angela Merkel said that preparing for the meeting of the top economies was like herding cats as officials attempt to reach a consensus among the group.

We do not want isolation. We want open trade and to fight against protectionism. This will be a tough issue within the G20 negotiations, but when working on a political document, it would of course be a great support for us if the economies in all G20 countries supported it, Merkel said.

Although she didnt make reference to a particular country, the biggest shift towards protectionism has come with the election of US President Donald Trump.

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