
GERMANY WAKES UP TO US TECH DOMINANCE

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Germany has swung behind a push from France to make Europe more reliant on its own technology companies, as the blocs two powerhouses come together for a meaningful effort to wean the bloc off American giants.

German Chancellor Friedrich Merz on Tuesday acknowledged France may have a point in its years-long push to reduce dependence on American companies, just hours after an outage by a U.S. cloud computing company provided a timely reminder of the potential vulnerabilities.

We want to speak with one European voice, and we work together toward one goal: that is European digital sovereignty, Merz told an audience at a joint summit in Berlin, days after admitting he was warming up to what he previously considered more of a French concept.

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