
EU, JAPAN TO WORK MORE CLOSELY TO ADDRESS UNFAIR TRADE, EU'S VON DER LEYEN SAYS

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The European Union and Japan will work more closely to counter economic coercion and address unfair trade practices, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen told reporters on Wednesday.

Von der Leyen's comments came after an EU-Japan summit with Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba as the EU struggles to conclude a trade deal with the United States and a day before potentially tough meetings with Chinese leaders.

Japan struck a trade deal with the United States on Tuesday that lowered tariffs on auto imports in exchange for U.S.-bound investment and loans.

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