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CAN WE TALK? After the first U.S. presidential debate, you may have worried about the health of our civic discourse these days. **The Dialogue Project**, an initiative backed by a slew of well-known businesses, has been probing this very issue. It recently released the [results of a survey](#) of 5,000 adults in five countries: the U.S., the U.K., Brazil, Germany and India. One finding: “Will people engage and listen? 82 percent said people should be more respectful when talking with those with different views, but only 50 percent said they should spend more time doing so. And only one-quarter reported that they actually often do.”

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A WTO FIRST: The World Trade Organization is poised to have the first female leader in its 25-year history, after two women — Nigeria’s **Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala** and South Korea’s **Yoo Myung-hee** — [made it](#) to the final round of the selection process to become the organization’s next director-general. Usually, the WTO picks the winner by finding a consensus among members. If that’s not possible, a vote will be held. A decision is expected next month.

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