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Latest Publications

Lessons Learned and Not Learned from Cold War Arms Control Negotiations

Nikolai Sokov, Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, July 2025

Arms control is in crisis: the last remaining arms control treaty expires in 2026. At this juncture, it may be advisable to recall some of the lessons learned during the Cold War, especially its second half, which, in hindsight, was the high point of arms control, as well as lessons that were not learned, but should have been.

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Raw Materials for Potential Chemical Warfare Agents: Technical Assessment 1

Project Anthracite Team, Royal United Services Institute, July 2025

This report outlines the chemical steps required to produce key precursor chemicals required to support chemical weapons. It considers the upstream and downstream processing steps from raw materials, such as coal, that could potentially give North Korea access to those precursor chemicals.

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Envisioning the Future of Nuclear Safety

Declan Penrose, British American Security Information Council, July 2025

Emerging Voices Network worked on a project to explore the future of nuclear security using foresight tools. Drawing on diverse global insights, the study maps interconnected nuclear risks and develops four potential scenarios ranging from stagnation to radical disarmament.

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Military and Security Dimensions of Quantum Technologies: A Primer

Michael Krelina, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, July 2025

Quantum technologies are advancing rapidly from experimental research into strategic defence and security applications, fundamentally altering how information is sensed, shared and secured. Ground- and satellite-based quantum key distribution networks are already being deployed by China and the European Union, promising virtually unbreakable communication.

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A French medium-range ballistic missile and ‘very high altitude’ ambitions

Zuzanna Gwadera, International Institute for Strategic Studies, July 2025

At the Paris Air Show, France's ArianeGroup unveiled a new medium-range ballistic missile design to address Europe's strike capability gap. The missile may join the ELSA initiative, a growing multilateral effort to develop long-range European weapons.

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EU Statement – UN Security Council: Situation in the Middle East

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Network News

VCDNP Senior Staff Contribute to UNODC's 2025 ICSANT Youth Academy

From 7–10 July 2025, VCDNP staff contributed to the UNODC ICSANT Youth Academy in Vienna, engaging emerging leaders on nuclear law, the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, gender mainstreaming, and the role of civil society in advancing non-proliferation efforts.

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Network Calls

Senior Researcher on Arms Control and Emerging Technologies - IFSH

The Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH) is hiring a full-time Senior Researcher for its flagship project on arms control and emerging technologies (Phase II). The role focuses on dual-use tech, deterrence, and strategic policy transfer. Applicants should have a PhD, publication record, and mentoring experience.

Application deadline: 31 August 2025

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Expert Roster in Nuclear Risk Forecasting - ONN

Open Nuclear Network (ONN) is creating a roster of trusted experts to support its monthly forecasts on global nuclear-risk flashpoints, contributing to ONN's monitoring product Event Horizon. The initiative seeks professionals with expertise in one or more of the following regions: Middle East, Euro-Atlantic, South Asia, Northeast Asia, and the Trans-Pacific. Participation is flexible and volunteer-based.

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