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Dear Patron: The Resources portion of the CSS website is the successor to the International Relations and Security Network (ISN). As in the case of its predecessor, the fundamental purpose of the Resources section is outreach -- i.e., it features the publications and analyses of CSS experts, external partners and like-minded institutions in order to promote further dialogue on important international relations and security-related issues.

This Week's Two Security Watch Series

This week, our first **Security Watch (SW)** series focuses on four possible doomsday scenarios for Europe's post-2014 policy towards Russia; the expected 'race for Syria' after the demise of the Islamic State; how to enhance NATO-EU cooperation; the US Army's not-so-new Multi-Domain Battle concept; and the rapidly approaching endgame in Venezuela. Then, in our second **SW** series, we look at how an influential American journal analyzes US foreign policy; the nascent 'Europe of Security' concept; how to implement sustainable peace solutions in a volatile world; the dissimilar approaches George W Bush and Barack Obama took towards the Middle East; and the roles business and private diplomacy can play as catalysts for sustainable peace.



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[The Great Unravelling: Four Doomsday Scenarios for Europe's Russia Policy](#)

Europe has managed to remain united against Russia since the latter invaded Ukraine in 2014. However, Gustav Gressel and Fredrik Wesslau worry that this resolve could unravel if 1) the EU decides to enforce the Russian interpretation of the Minsk agreements on Ukraine; 2) Brussels succumbs to 'Ukraine fatigue' and accepts the status quo; 3) the US disengages from Ukraine and ends its sanctions on Russia; and 4) a Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin reach a "grand bargain" that shatters EU unity and allows Russia to bring Ukraine back into its sphere of influence. Here are the details



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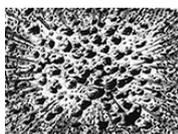
According to Jack Thompson, "American Affairs" is a nascent Trump-era journal that provides a compelling critique of the Republican Party's foreign policies. The periodical argues, for example, that 1) conservative internationalism is indeed losing its appeal among Republicans who are increasingly wary of the liberal world order, and 2) a conservative nationalist approach represents the likely future of Republican foreign policy thinking. Ah, but will the latter approach harm or advance US interests?



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[Airbrushing Stalin and Mao's Horrific Crimes](#)

In this era of fake news, observes Arch Puddington, the fierce battles over the 'correct' interpretation of history continue unabated. The most alarming goal, our author continues, is to reappraise leaders such as Joseph Stalin and Mao Zedong, to whitewash their atrocities and ensure that, at least for a domestic audience, they are presented as heroic figures whose crimes were miniscule in comparison with their achievements. Here's an update on the dubious revisionism being pursued by Moscow and Beijing.



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[The Origins and Evolution of ISIS in Libya](#)

This report examines the pre-history, birth, expansion, consolidation and dispersal of ISIS in Libya. It concludes that 1) the group's brutality in the country was a huge mistake on its part; 2) the Libyan State's collapse

did indeed lead to ISIS' rise; and 3) the group subsequently thrived in marginalized communities or areas where the central government had never devolved power. Given this context, the report closes by recommending six ways anti-ISIS stakeholders should continue their fight against the murderous group.



Organizations and Resources Page Partners

Lowy Institute for International Policy

Our featured partner this week is the Lowy Institute, which is an independent, nonpartisan and policy-centered think tank that researches and analyzes a variety of international and regional trends.

Video: International Law and New Wars

In [today's video](#), Christine Chinkin and Mary Kaldor discuss their new book, "International Law and New Wars," with added comments provided by Javier Solana. The problem, they contend, is that international law, which was largely constructed in the 19th and 20th centuries, continues to focus too much on traditional warfare. What's really needed in today's world of idiosyncratic 'new wars' is to match up international law with second generation notions of human security.

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