

# Research and Policy Advice

Building Peace Through Policy



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The world is at a key inflection point in history. It is dealing with an interconnected set of threats and challenges that call for renewed focus on security challenges and the development of innovative solutions. To better understand these issues, the GCSP provides research and policy advice that help leaders to reshape the international system and look over the horizon to anticipate, explain, and prepare for emerging risks and challenges.

To this end, we provide timely, relevant, and usable insights to our community and specific clients. We monitor policy and technological developments that impact international peace, security, and strategic stability; analyse their implications; and provide early warning, strategic anticipation, and policy-relevant advice. Leveraging our in-house and global expertise, we develop policy recommendations and advise decision-makers on key problematic issues.



**We leverage our expertise and networks to develop evidence-based policy that address pressing security challenges.**

**We make sense of modern security affairs:**

Revived great-power competition, emerging and disruptive technologies, new forms of warfare, challenges to multilateralism, war in Europe, and regional conflicts are leading to new challenges to international peace and security. This calls for new conceptualisations of and approaches to security. The GCSP does this by focusing on future-oriented security policy and exploring avenues for renewed cooperation on peace and security.

**We provide tailor-made advice:**

We aim to develop analytical products and strengthen partnerships with governments, regional and international organisations, think tanks, NGOs, academic institutions, and the private sector. Our products help these actors to better understand the international peace and security environment, equipping them to anticipate and respond to the challenges and opportunities that may lie ahead.

**We create knowledge, insights and ideas:**

With our diverse range of publications, events, expert workshops, and tailored products, we are a go-to place for expertise, analysis, and advice on security policy. Our work is particularly relevant to our core partners, Geneva-based partners, and the private sector in terms of risk and strategic forecasting, arms control, disruptive technologies, the impact of climate change on security, and crisis management, among other currently relevant issues.



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## GENEVA SECURITY DEBATES

Geneva Security Debates consist of public discussions on current security challenges. By uniting the world's leading thinkers and practitioners for interactive discussions, the series provides a forum for new insights, joint reflection, and networking.



## PUBLICATIONS

In addition to research published in academic and policy-oriented journals, the GCSP produces five publication series:

- **Geneva Papers**  
*Geopolitical Features, Common Interests and the Climate Crisis: The Case of the Arctic (2024)*
- **Strategic Security Analyses**  
*The Future Interface of Neurotechnologies, Security and Drone Warfare (2025)*
- **Policy Briefs**  
*Why Deterrence Needs Dialogue and Détente (2025)*
- **In Focus**  
*De-Dollarisation and the Second Trump Term (2025)*
- **Tailored Studies**



# Tailored Policy Advice Projects

## The Processes of International Negotiation (PIN) Program

As the host of the PIN Program, the GCSP integrates the expertise of negotiation academics and partners into its activities, which enhances its capabilities in the field of international negotiations. A currently relevant example is the project on Redefining Multilateralism in a New Geopolitical Era.

## International Defence Innovation Project

In partnership with the Swiss Armed Forces and Stanford University, this project aims at establishing a solid understanding of the driving factors, key implications, and related themes of defence innovation.





### Swiss Staff Officers Symposium

This annual symposium provides strategic insights on global security issues and trends in international politics for General Staff officers of the Swiss Armed Forces.



### Rule of Law and Human Rights Aspects of Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Counter-terrorism Purposes

In collaboration with the UN Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate and the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, the GCSP seeks to support the advancement of policy discussions and analysis on human rights-centred approaches to the use of AI for counter-terrorism purposes.



### The Future of Peace and War

In collaboration with the Geneva Science and Diplomacy Anticipator and Columbia University, this project aims at developing the methodological frameworks and tools to better identify the relevant trends and countertrends shaping the future of peace and war.

## Engage With Us

International peace and security are currently fragile. Trust is eroding, divisions are deepening and misunderstandings are on the rise. The GCSP's work is critical in response to this situation.

The support of partners and donors is vital for us to offer activities that unite diverse stakeholders to develop ideas, policy options, and solutions. Thus, we can all contribute to shaping a resilient global order to advance peace, cooperation and sustainable security.

The roles of partnerships and donors are closely interlinked. Partners commission and fund specific projects, while other donors may direct their contributions to be used more broadly to financially support individuals or activities. We work carefully to ensure we meet all partner and donor priorities to maximise the impact of their support in a variety of ways.

**How will you support our mission and advance global peace, cooperation, and security?**



**The Global Scholarship Fund:** Empower future leaders by sponsoring their participation in our transformative courses.



**Fellowships:** Nurture the innovative thinking of emerging and established professionals through our Fellowship Initiative.



**Programmes:** Opportunity to fund a tailored programme through a strategic partnership or through one of our departments.



**Projects:** Support our ongoing initiatives with your targeted or broadly applicable donations.



**Publications:** Advance research on global security by contributing to and supporting the production and dissemination of our publication series.



**Events:** Partner with us in providing venues, experts or other contributions to our events such as our Geneva Security Debates series.

