



CENTER ON CONTEMPORARY CONFLICT

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SECURITY RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

We make our research readily available to a broad audience through our e-journal, Strategic Insights. Our e-journal is a forum for practitioners and subject matter experts to engage in debates and introduce new ideas. The CCC also shares ongoing research and findings through conference papers published on the CCC website (www.nps.edu/ccc) and through faculty publications in other scholarly journals.



ENGAGING EMERGING SECURITY ISSUES

The Center on Contemporary Conflict (CCC) has a respected eleven-year track record for providing research and timely analysis on a variety of topics to the leading decision makers in the Department of Defense community. Located in the Naval Postgraduate School, the CCC is the premier research wing of the School of National Security Affairs (NSA).

The CCC specializes in the study of international relations, security policy, and regional studies. The Center has a unique capability to plan, manage and execute needed government research and development. Our 40 affiliated scholars provide broad and substantial research expertise. To ensure actionable research, the CCC leverages extensive institutional networks within the Department of Defense and the U.S. government, as well as worldwide partnerships with think tanks, educational institutions, militaries, governments, and alumni.

Our independent, high-quality studies often engage issues before they hit the “inbox” of policymakers and defense planners. It is this original research and expert knowledge that allow CCC to be the credible and trusted research partners of senior defense planners and to serve as a bridge between academia and policymakers. Achieving high standards and an international reputation, center staff execute and monitor projects that are approaching 1000% growth over the last decade.

We host and organize international seminars, Track II dialogues, and stability exercises that bring critical players together for an open exchange of ideas and formulation of recommendations. The CCC provides our sponsors with facilities and processes for classified projects whenever needed.

STRATEGICALLY RELEVANT PORTFOLIO

CCC research broadly addresses national security including the following:

- Resource scarcity and conflict
- Proliferation and deterrence
- Innovation and terrorism
- U.S. strategy
- Non-state actors and violence
- State failure and governance
- Regional security and alliances

Our research sponsors include the following agencies:

- Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA)
- Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration
- National Intelligence Council
- Office of the Director of National Intelligence
- Office of the Secretary of Defense
- Pacific Command
- Southern Command

In addition to executing federally sponsored research, the CCC supports federal missions by managing programs and facilitating federal sponsorships for other private institutions. Our largest such effort is the Project on Advanced Systems and Concepts for Countering WMD (PASCC). The CCC serves as the program planning and implementation office, research center, and intellectual clearinghouse for the execution of analysis and future-oriented studies and dialogues for DTRA-Strategies and Plans. We cultivate interconnected national and international strategic research community partnerships and bring scientific, technical and social science experts to look well into the future to help understand and anticipate WMD/WME capabilities. Launching PASCC's first project cycle in 2011, after a competitive review of over 200 proposals, we will be initiating approximately 30 project awards to 15 different institutions, including NPS.