

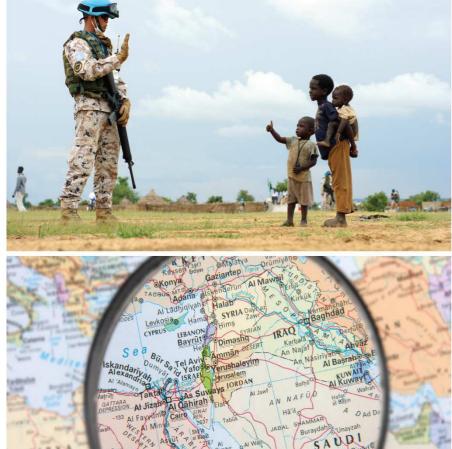


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THE GLOBAL ONLINE BRAINSTORM







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WHAT IS THE SECURITY JAM?

OVERVIEW

The Security Jam is a massive global brainstorm to be held entirely online from April 25-28, 2016. Several thousand participants - civilian and military government officials, representatives of international organisations, civil society and NGOs, academia, think tanks, the media, and the private sector - will unite around a virtual table to develop innovative solutions to global security challenges.

WHY A JAM?

An increasingly uncertain global security context, the current refugee crisis, the rise of Daesh, tensions between Russia, NATO, the changing role of regional and international organisations and strained relations between existing and rising global security players form the backdrop for the 2016 Security Jam.

Global problems require global solutions, be it safeguarding maritime routes from piracy, battling transnational trafficking networks, or countering violent extremism. Solutions to these challenges go beyond national, political or ideological cleavages.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The 2016 Security Jam is organised around six topics, running in parallel for 77 straight hours. In writing only,

participants develop solutions at the strategic, tactical and operational levels of the various issues at hand.

The Jam is held on a state of the art platform with powerful data mining tools and statistics. Senior think-tank experts moderate discussions and guide Jammers towards final recommendations.

Jammers can take part in discussions from as little as 15 minutes to as much as 77 hours. All contributions are in writing, and the Jam can be accessed using any device - computer, laptop, smartphone - from anywhere in the world.

WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES?

Recommendations will feed into the EU's new Global Strategy and will be presented to global leaders.

The Jam report will be launched at a high-level event in late June 2016. The top recommendations will be integrated into Friends of Europe's work in the months following the Jam making sure that the Jam is an on-going process.

Friends of Europe's global network ensures that these recommendations reach senior decision-makers globally, making Jammers' voices heard.

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UNDER DISCUSSION

TOPICS

1: STRATEGIC FORESIGHT AND EARLIER-WARNING

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How can risk analyses by governments, academics and business analysts, and crowdsourcing enhance early-warning mechanisms and decision-making?

Governments face criticism for reacting to rather than preparing for predictable crises, be they political, such as violent extremism, or due to natural disasters. "Big data" and artificial intelligence can help predict risks from climate change, water, food and energy security or the demographic explosion. How can the use of this information be improved and incentives for cooperation be developed?

2: GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS FOR CONFLICT PREVENTION

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How can the collective wisdom of public and private stakeholders be harnessed for conflict prevention and post-conflict stabilisation?

NATO-Russia tensions and proxy wars threaten an already fragile security architecture, and (re-)emerging actors like Iran urge reform of the UN Security Council. Government violence, state failure and underdevelopment can trigger forced migration and radicalisation. How can civil society bridge political divides? How must governments and regional organisations, like the EU, NATO, ECOWAS, OSCE, African Union or ASEAN, adapt to 21st century diplomacy to jointly prevent conflict?

3: A REGIONAL SECURITY ARCHITECTURE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST

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How can confidence be built among long-time foes to provide for stability in the region?

2014 Jammers recommended the "creation of an OSCE in the Middle East". Could the Israel-Palestine conflict, the Syrian civil war and Sunni-Shia tensions be decreased through such a security architecture promoting stability and economic development? What role for regional bodies like the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) or the Arab League? Could a "Marshall Plan" be envisaged for post-conflict reconstruction?

4: FOREIGN MILITARY ENGAGEMENT 2025

MODERATED BY: THE INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH (IRSEM)

What will future military and peacekeeping missions look like and what will they require?

Long-term military missions are losing in popularity, while the UN remains divided on the responsibility to protect (R2P) principle. Anti-piracy missions, however, have enjoyed broad support. Given tight defence budgets, what is the future of missions abroad? How can civil-military coordination be improved? How can the burden for capabilities like cyberdefence, airto-air refuelling and drones be shared, with what role for industry? What future for EU, African Union, or UN peacekeepers?

5: POLICING 2025: STRATEGIES AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME

MODERATED BY: STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (SIPRI) AND ROYAL UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTE (RUSI) What will be required of interior security forces by 2025 ?

Internal security forces, whether responding to refugees or confronting violent extremists, must adapt to new challenges. Transnational criminal networks destabilise societies and corrupt governments. Effective responses demand national, regional and global cooperation, involving NGOs and citizens. How should cooperation between internal security and defence forces evolve? What role for technology and the private sector, e.g. in fighting cybercrime, and how to protect citizens' privacy?

6: ANSWERS TO RADICALISATION AND VIOLENT EXTREMISM MODERATED BY: INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIC RESEARCH ORGANISATION (USAK)

What lessons can we draw from past and current confrontations with violent extremism?

Daesh, Boko Haram, Al Shabaab, Al-Qaeda and others all pose serious threats to populations around the world. Is there a military solution, and how should root causes be addressed and funding sources disrupted? Can lessons be drawn from past violent extremism – Germany's Red Army Faction, Ireland's IRA or Sri Lanka's LTTE? What human and technical capabilities do intelligence services need to efficiently fight these groups?

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