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## PUBLICATIONS

### AMC INSIGHTS

#### US-SAUDI NUCLEAR DEAL: ATOMS, ALLIANCES AND AMBIGUITY

SHAHA ARIF, BASIC, SEPTEMBER 2026

The proposed US-Saudi nuclear agreement could reshape both regional security dynamics and the global non-proliferation regime. The article examines the strategic interests driving the deal, the questions remaining about enrichment and safeguards, and the potential consequences for Iran, other regional states, and the future of nuclear cooperation.

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#### WHAT 80 YEARS OF ARMS CONTROL TEACHES US ABOUT MILITARY AI

HAIMI TEFERA, KUNDAN KUMAR, GABRIEL COUTINHO  
& SRIJANI MANNA, AMC INSIGHTS, SEPTEMBER 2026

Drawing on eight decades of arms control, the article explores what past efforts to regulate military technologies can teach us about the challenges posed by AI. It highlights the importance of verification, transparency, and, most importantly, political trust among the parties involved, while considering how these lessons could inform the governance of autonomous weapons and AI-enabled military systems.

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#### UNITY OR FRAGMENTATION? EUROPEAN DEFENCE MODERNISATION, SMALL- STATES' STRATEGIES, AND THE EU DRONE WALL

GËZIM VLLASI AND YANNICK SCHEIDEGGER, GENEVA  
CENTRE FOR SECURITY POLICY, SEPTEMBER 2026

Focusing on the EU Drone Wall, the article examines how small frontline states are shaping European approaches to developing the European Strategic Autonomy, whose broader picture seems contradictory.

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## EU NEWS

### CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CCW) - EU STATEMENT - PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE SEVENTH REVIEW CONFERENCE

7 September 2026, Geneva

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## NETWORK NEWS

### **CONFERENCE ON BELARUS 2026: THE THREATS POSED BY BELARUS TO EUROPEAN SECURITY**

On September 4, the Latvian Institute of International Affairs (LIIA) hosted the 2026 Conference on Belarus, focused on the threat posed by that country to collective European security. The guests, hailing from Latvia, Lithuania, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Poland, discussed the threats posed by Belarus's hybrid pressure on NATO's East Flank.

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### **UK PONI ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2026**

UK PONI Annual Conference 2026. On 15 September, RUSI hosted this year's PONI Conference, the UK's flagship conference for emerging and established nuclear experts. The guests explored the current state and future trends of the nuclear field through panel presentations by early-career professionals on the following themes:

1. The Future of the UK Nuclear Enterprise
2. Allied Deterrence: Reassurance, Burden-Sharing and the Future of the Alliance
3. Nuclear in a Changing World: Emerging Technologies, Information and Stability
4. Contested Deterrence: Signalling, Doctrine and Escalation

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## NETWORK CALLS

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