



## EDITOR'S NOTE

The first edition of 2022 (volume 82), is part of the regular theme of the journal and comprises six articles, the *Book review* rubric, as well as the traditional *Scientific Event*.

The journal opens with the rubric *NATO and EU: Policies, Strategies, Actions*, which includes two articles. In the first, Major Engineer Teodora Zecheru, PhD, together with Brigadier General Professor Engineer Ghiță Bârsan, PhD, co-authored a topic on the European Directive on the intra-community transfer of defence-related products. The Directive introduced a new licensing system in order to encourage Member States to use general licenses for simple transfers of defence products between them. However, the Directive is proving difficult to apply. Next, our colleague, Senior Researcher Mirela Atanasiu, deals with the main threats to NATO member countries on the eastern border, as identified in official documents, before Russia's attack on Ukraine.

The *Security and Military Strategies* rubric hosts an article, written by Mr. Robert Zsakai, PhD, that deals with disaster management as a complex process, by stressing the fact that more attention should be paid to psychological assistance and psychic resilience improvement for the military.

Under the heading *Geopolitics and Geostatistics: Trends and Perspectives*, our intern Mihai Vlaicu assesses how the joint actions have given the Israeli Defence Forces an advantage in achieving the strategic objectives set by the Israeli Government, as well as whether the Momentum Plan, part of the doctrine of joint actions, is feasible or has vulnerabilities that can be remedied.

In this edition, in the rubric *Information Society*, we have included two articles. The first, signed by Mrs. Oana-Cătălina Frățiță, brings to attention a topical issue, namely the opportunity represented by social networks for the process of recruiting human resources, from the perspective of information distributed by users; the paper reveals that although many intelligence services have official pages on social media, only a few of them share content. In the second article, Mr. Mihai Vlaicu highlights the main concepts and methods of use of information warfare, especially CEMA operations (cyber electromagnetic activities), by the armed forces of different nations and formulates some potential developments regarding the future of information operations.

In the *Book review* rubric, Mrs. Lavinia Moiceanu, PhD, brings to the attention of our readers the last volume of the trilogy "Civilization and Capitalism, 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Century", written by the French historian Fernand Braudel, entitled *The perspective of the world*.

In the *Scientific event* rubric, our colleague, Raluca Stan, presents the main conclusions following the Workshop on "National Adjustment of the Allied Multidomain Operations Concept", organized online by CDSSS, on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.



Also, the edition includes the *Guide for Authors*, a recommended reading for those who wish to disseminate the research results in *Strategic Impact*.

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In the end, we would like to encourage those interested to publish in our journal to prospect and evaluate thoroughly the dynamics of the security environment and, also, we invite the interested students, Master Students and Doctoral Candidates to submit articles for publication in the monthly supplement of the journal, *Strategic Colloquium*, available on the Internet at <http://cssas.unap.ro/ro/cs.htm>, indexed in the international database CEEOL, Google scholar and ROAD ISSN.

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