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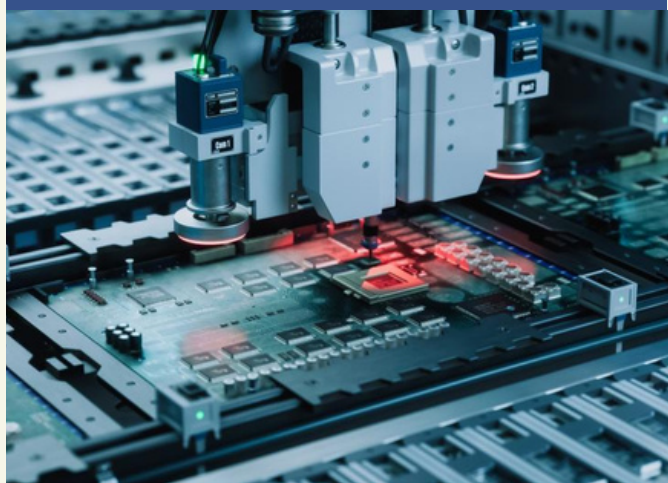


ELN REFLECTIONS: 2026 NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE

OLIVER MEIER ET AL., *EUROPEAN LEADERSHIP NETWORK*, MAY 2026

Against the backdrop of ongoing wars, sharpened great power competition, nuclear modernisation, procedural deadlock, and renewed disputes over the credibility and fairness of the non-proliferation regime, the conference has exposed deep disagreements not only about nuclear policy, but also about the purpose and viability of the NPT process itself.

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CYBER (DIS)ARMAMENT IN PRACTICE: THE EU'S ROLE IN GOVERNING SOFTWARE VULNERABILITIES IN A FRAGMENTED INTERNATIONAL ORDER

EUGENIO BENINCASA, *EUNPDC NON-PROLIFERATION AND DISARMAMENT PAPERS* MAY 2026

How do you “disarm” in cyberspace when there are no clear weapons to dismantle? This paper explores how software vulnerability governance, especially disclosure mechanisms, can help reduce cyber risks while preserving security and innovation.

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THE GROWTH OF DUAL-USE BY DESIGN RESEARCH IN EUROPE: EXPORT CONTROL RISKS AND CHALLENGES

LAURIANE HÉAU, *SIPRI*, MAY 2026

European states and the [#EU](#) are trying to accelerate rearmament and military modernization by drawing more on civilian research and innovation. This has increased funding support for dual-use by design research, where civilian and military applications are considered from the outset.

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EU NEWS

EU STATEMENT FOR MAIN COMMITTEE III AT THE 11TH REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (NPT)

4 May 2026, New York

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NETWORK NEWS

REPORT LAUNCH: NEGOTIATING NUCLEAR VERIFICATION

On 5 May 2026, on the margins of the 2026 Review Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), the VCDNP and the Government of Switzerland held a side event to launch the Center's new report entitled "[Negotiating Nuclear Verification: Arms Control, Disarmament and Non-Proliferation](#)".

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BASIC HELD A SIDE-EVENT AT THE 2026 [#NPTREVCON](#) CALLED "NUCLEAR FOR GOOD: FROM COMMITMENT TO IMPACT"

Nuclear for Good is an international movement focused on championing the entire ecosystem of peaceful nuclear applications - connecting communities, policymakers, and funders with the evidence, people, and partnerships needed to realise the applications' potential. At the event, representatives from different stakeholder groups discussed the importance of having a multi-stakeholder platform to foster partnerships that can catalyse nuclear energy adoption and applications in the Global South.

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PODCAST

THE **ARMS CONTROL** PRIMER

Better know a non-nuke: Brazil



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In the latest episode of the Arms Control Primer podcast, host Dr Alexander Bollfrass is joined by Dr Leonardo Bandarra and Professor Carlo Patti to discuss the nuclear history and present of Brazil. The guests share their insights on the civilian and secret parallel nuclear programmes, and how the decision was made to cease the secret programme in 1990 and to set up a bilateral inspection regime with Argentina. As Professor Patti mentions: "The final decision of extinguishing this side of the project has been taken in September 1990. This decision has been taken because of the international context in a multilateral way. We have to think that it was the end of the Cold War and that the Soviet Union and the United States decided to agree on a new treaty for banning peaceful nuclear explosives. The two countries decided not to go on with their own projects with PNEs, and in that context also Brazil was approaching Argentina.

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NETWORK CALLS

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE - AIR POWER

The Freeman Air and Space Institute (FASI) team is currently looking for a Research Associate to focus on the topic of Air Power. The post holder will be responsible for conducting original research and analysis of current and emerging air power issues.

The application deadline is 31 May 2026.

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SIPRI'S MAJOR INITIATIVES TEAM IS HIRING A RESEARCH ASSISTANT (8 MONTHS)

The Major Initiatives team leads a variety of cross cutting projects within SIPRI, all of which have a strong policy focus. It's current focus is on two projects related to development and human security and is also responsible for the delivery of the Stockholm Forum on Peace and Development, SIPRI's flagship convening event of the year.

The Research Assistant would work on both projects as well as support with the delivery and evaluation of the 2026 Stockholm Forum on Peace and Development.

The application deadline is 8 June 2026.

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