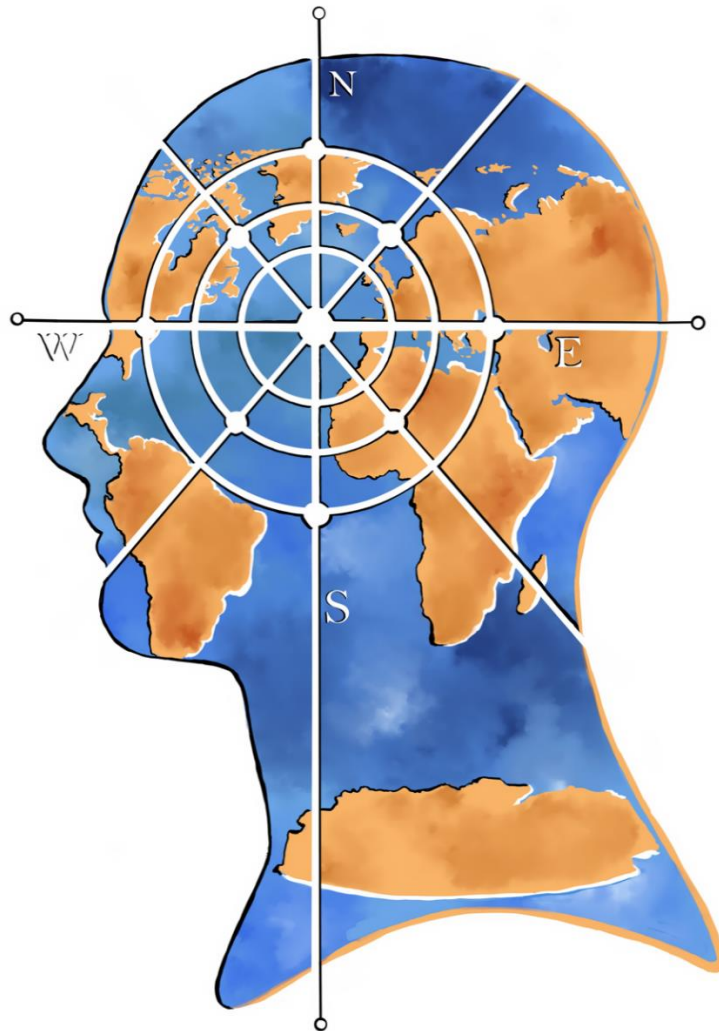


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Editor's Note

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Welcome to the newest issue of the *Journal of European and American Intelligence Studies*. As with past issues, I believe it offers a range of high-quality scholarship and commentary in the field, and I hope that the articles in this issue will offer insight and prompt exchanges that are necessary and useful for development of knowledge in our field of study.

The articles in this edition center on the challenges of conducting intelligence in the complex context of our contemporary security environment. The first two articles are reflections and responses to the challenges of analytic training that were discussed at the 2022 conference of the International Association for Intelligence Education in Treviso, Italy. The first in-person conference since the COVID-19 pandemic, the broad theme of this meeting was 'Creativity and Systemization' in addressing 'Wicked' problems. Admiral Vittorio Russo and Professor Sabrina Magris begin this issue with their reflections on the theme of preparing intelligence professionals in the modern era. As the former director of the Italian Joint Military Intelligence Center (Russo) and the current president of École Universitaire Internationale (Magris), they explore the traditional dilemma of whether intelligence analysis is an art or a science. Their findings on how these disparate elements are balanced and how to approach analytic training will hopefully prompt further debate in this important area. The second article by Professor Davide Bellomo and Ms. Stefania Mihalache explores the possibilities of utilizing the principles of neuroscience to enhance the cognitive capabilities of intelligence professionals.

Beyond the discussion of how to educate new intelligence professionals, the issue of intelligence cooperation between nation-states to address contemporary security challenges is also vital. The article by Dr. Muza Tuzuner of the Applied Intelligence Program at Gannon University provides fresh theoretical insights to U.S. intelligence cooperation in the post-9/11 era. Using the United States International Intelligence Behavior dataset (USIIB), he conducts a quantitative analysis on how regime type serves as an important explanatory driver of U.S. intelligence cooperation efforts in the early

post-9/11 years. Dr. Tuzuner's findings raise important questions about the value of applying international relations theories to this area of intelligence studies.

Turning the focus to contemporary security challenges, the remaining authors focus on the role of non-state actors and emerging technologies – two of the wickedest challenges that intelligence professionals and scholars face. Noelle Heineman, a Senior Analyst at the Research Institute for European and American Studies, explores how transnational crime organizations ensure their survival by learning best practices from one another and utilizing standard methods of counterintelligence. By examining the enduring role of these organizations in three southeastern European countries, she highlights how these organizations have incorporated organizational learning to remain one of the most pernicious security threats to emerging democratic countries in the region.

Fazio, Bruno, and Kaunert examine another transnational security issue that is driven by non-state actors. In a review of recent international economic and public health crises, they examine how far right political parties and right-wing extremists groups in Europe and North America are developing a common agenda. They analyze how political leaders, such as former U.S. political strategist Steve Bannon, can serve as facilitators in developing these groups into a true transnational movement. This scholarship demonstrates the mechanics of how far right ideological groups in Europe are unifying their efforts, and thereby challenging liberal democracies on the continent.

Bellomo and Mihalache address the cognitive limitations of intelligence practitioners and sketch some connections between the practice of intelligence and some recent developments in medicine, neuroscience and psychology. They argue that some recent findings in these scientific fields could be utilized in order to enhance the performance of intelligence practitioners and diminish the vulnerabilities that are inherent in their profession.

As always, the *JEAIS* editorial team is grateful to our authors for adding their informed voices to yet another insightful issue of this publication. True to the founding mission of the journal, *JEAIS* remains responsive to its readership, whose members are encouraged to contact the editorial team with comments, suggestions, and criticism about our content.

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