Research...

Justin Bronk
Research Fellow, Military Sciences/Editor, RUSI Defence Systems

My research in the past year has focused on the UK’s acquisition and integration of the F-35 Lightning II into the RAF and Royal Navy, as well as analysis of ongoing RAF operations against Daesh in Iraq and Syria and Russian activities in Ukraine and Syria. I have conducted site visits and interviews in the UK, US, Italy, Germany and Poland.

In the next year I will look at future survivability approaches for combat aircraft, RAF force generation challenges post-Brexit and next generation trainer aircraft. I will also continue to edit the RUSI Defence Systems online journal publication.

Emil Dall
Research Analyst, Proliferation and Nuclear Policy

This year I took part in a major multi-year research project looking at proliferation finance. The final report exposed current challenges in combating proliferation finance and outlined options for policy-makers and the private sector.

In the past year I also researched the implementation of the Iran nuclear agreement, the ongoing North Korean nuclear issue and I was the programme co-ordinator for the UK Project on Nuclear Issues.

In the coming year, I will continue research on proliferation finance, with several research outputs planned, and will be involved in a new research project looking into the design and implementation of financial sanctions.
Dr Aniseh Bassiri Tabrizi  
Research Fellow, Middle East Security

This year I worked on a project looking at Iran's foreign policy in Syria and how this is perceived by the key countries involved in the conflict. I also closely monitored the implementation of the nuclear agreement between Iran and the international community, analysing the political and technical challenges moving forward.

Currently I am focusing on countering violent extremism in Iraq, improving ties between Iran and the UK, and analysing developments in North Africa, with a particular focus on Libya, Egypt and Algeria.

Michael Kamara  
Membership Development Executive

With RUSI’s membership core to the Institute’s work, in the last year I focused on the development of our membership offer, which began by surveying the different interests of our membership. I carried out research in all the categories of the corporate membership to ascertain the areas that we may need to fill in the year ahead.

I also worked closely with our marketing team to develop our younger individual members of the Institute, particularly the student and Under 35 categories.

In the next twelve months I hope to develop our individual membership further, creating more networking opportunities and ensuring that our members get the highest service possible.

Occasional Paper

‘Inherently Unresolved: The Military and Political Campaign Against ISIS’

Edited by Elizabeth Quintana and Jonathan Eyal