

Editor's note

Since the beginning of the crisis in Ukraine, the Baltic States seem to have been plunged into the forefront of European security dilemmas. The Lithuanian ambassador to the US called them the new frontier, their situation reminiscent of West Berlin during the Cold War, geographically a hostage, politically and symbolically an integral part of the West (or so we hope). The newly resurgent revanchist Russia brought security issues back to the table for the Baltic States themselves, forcing them to focus more and more on hard security, but also not to neglect 'softer' issues, such as the information arena or energy.

With these developments in mind, the Baltic Defence College launches a new *Journal on Baltic Security* to replace our long-standing publication *Baltic Security and Defence Review* with a renewed emphasis on the region and its security matters, and with the view of assessing its future in the turbulent contemporary security environment. The first issue of the Journal contains articles and interventions presented at the conference on Russian power projection in the 21st century, addressing such areas of its potential influence as energy and information security, military developments and power projection, internal issues that may influence its possibility to project power and the wider implications of Russian foreign policy. The last section of the Journal contains book reviews on the Russia-related topics.

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