



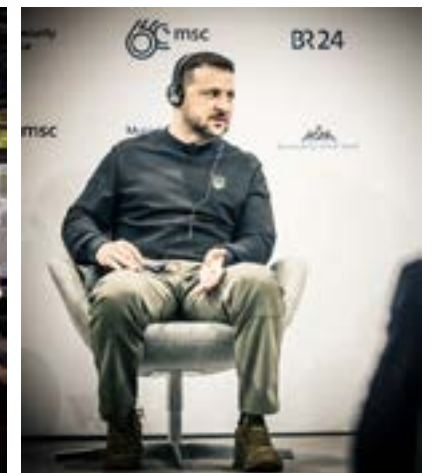
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The global security landscape is changing fast – and not for the better. The risk of peer-to-peer conflict is becoming more acute as great power competition is heating up, crucial arms control and confidence-building regimes are eroding, and regional rivalries are increasingly left unchecked and unresolved. Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 fundamentally changed the European security landscape, marking a “Zeitenwende” for Germany and its European partners, but also for other countries around the globe.

The threat matrix is further complicated by the continued rise of non-state actors, the accelerating militarization of domains such as the Arctic, space, and cyberspace, the use of hybrid and proxy tactics, and the race for new technologies with profound implications for warfare and arms control.

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