



Seminar

“Gray Zones” of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction: Meeting a New Challenge

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While major attention in WMD proliferation prevention is focused on a handful of states of concern, the most potentially threatening challenges come from “gray zones”—non-recognized radical regimes of separatist movements with growing ambitions. The enumeration of certain states as comprising the “axis of evil” and being the primary cause of proliferation concern is overly simplistic and may distract from these emerging threats. Dr. Orlov will discuss gray zones, the resulting proliferation threats and explore potential solutions to meet this new challenge.

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