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REPORT

Germany Is Quietly Building a European Army Under Its Command

Berlin is using a bland name to obscure a dramatic shift in its approach to defense: integrating brigades from smaller countries into the Bundeswehr.

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1. Yesterday
2. Today
3. Tomorrow
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Yesterday





Many Europeans were uncomfortable with this idea, only 5 years after the defeat of Nazi Germany, and a French proposal known as the **Pleven Plan** called for the creation of a Pan-European army, with German divisions existing under multinational European command.



René Pleven

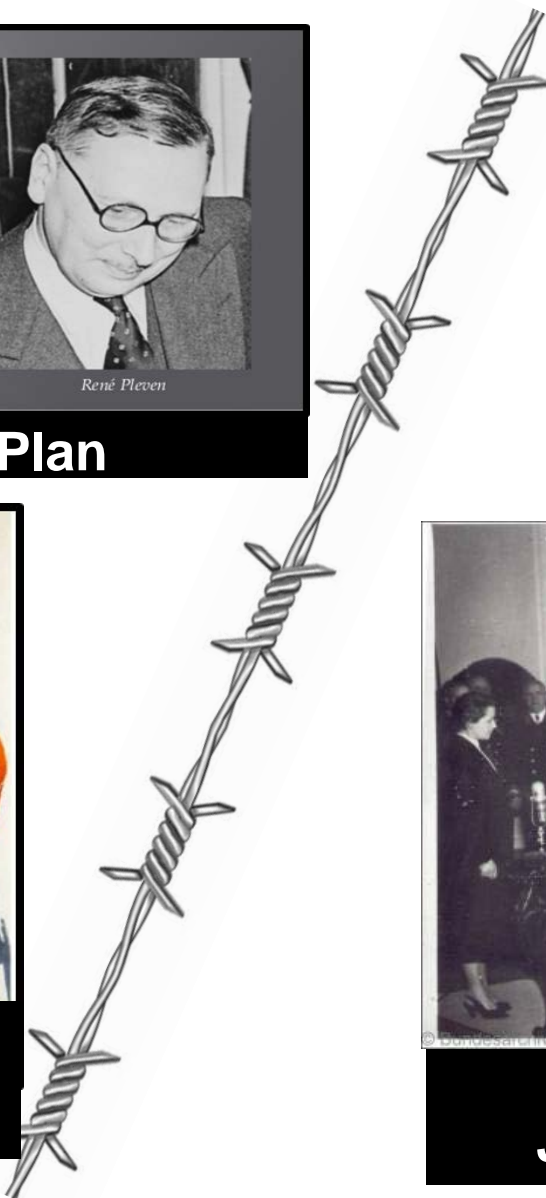
Pleven Plan



6.5.55
Joining NATO



14.5.55
Joining Warsaw Pact



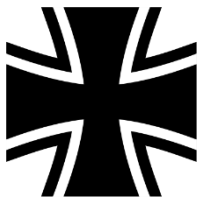


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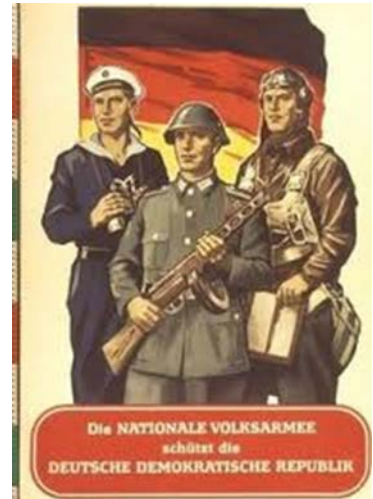
Re-Armament of Germany



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**Federal
Armed
Forces**



**National
People's
Army**





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Cold War



Berlin Wall





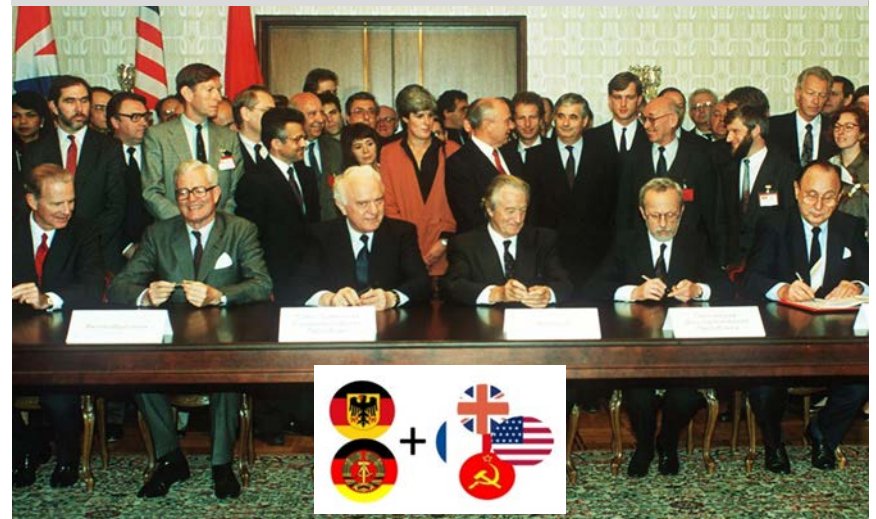
„The End of History“



„tear down this wall!“



Reunification



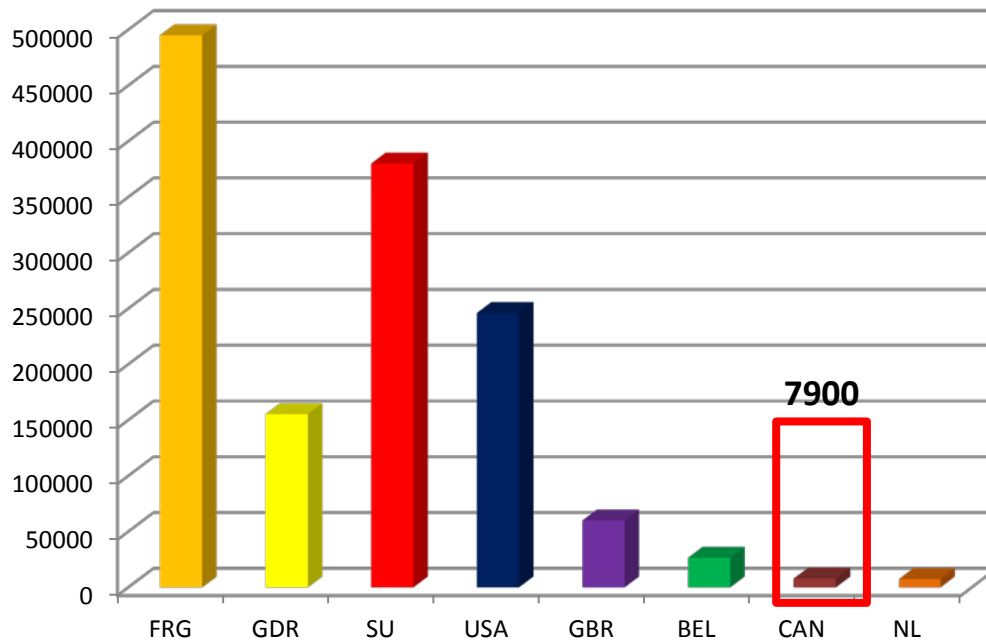


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An Episode: Bundeswehr Training in Canada

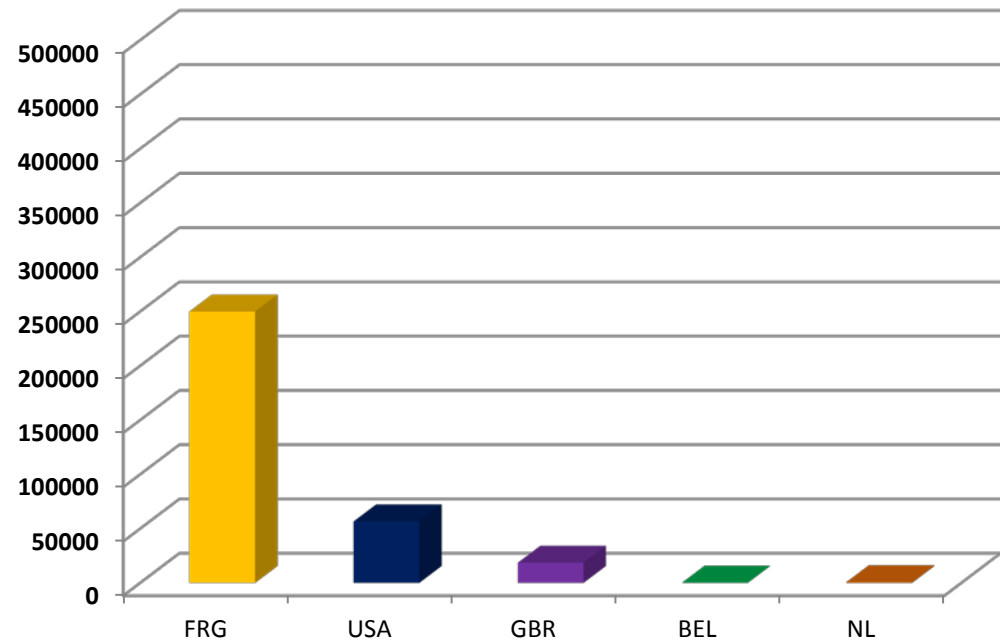


1988



Σ 1.440.000

2009



Σ 330.000



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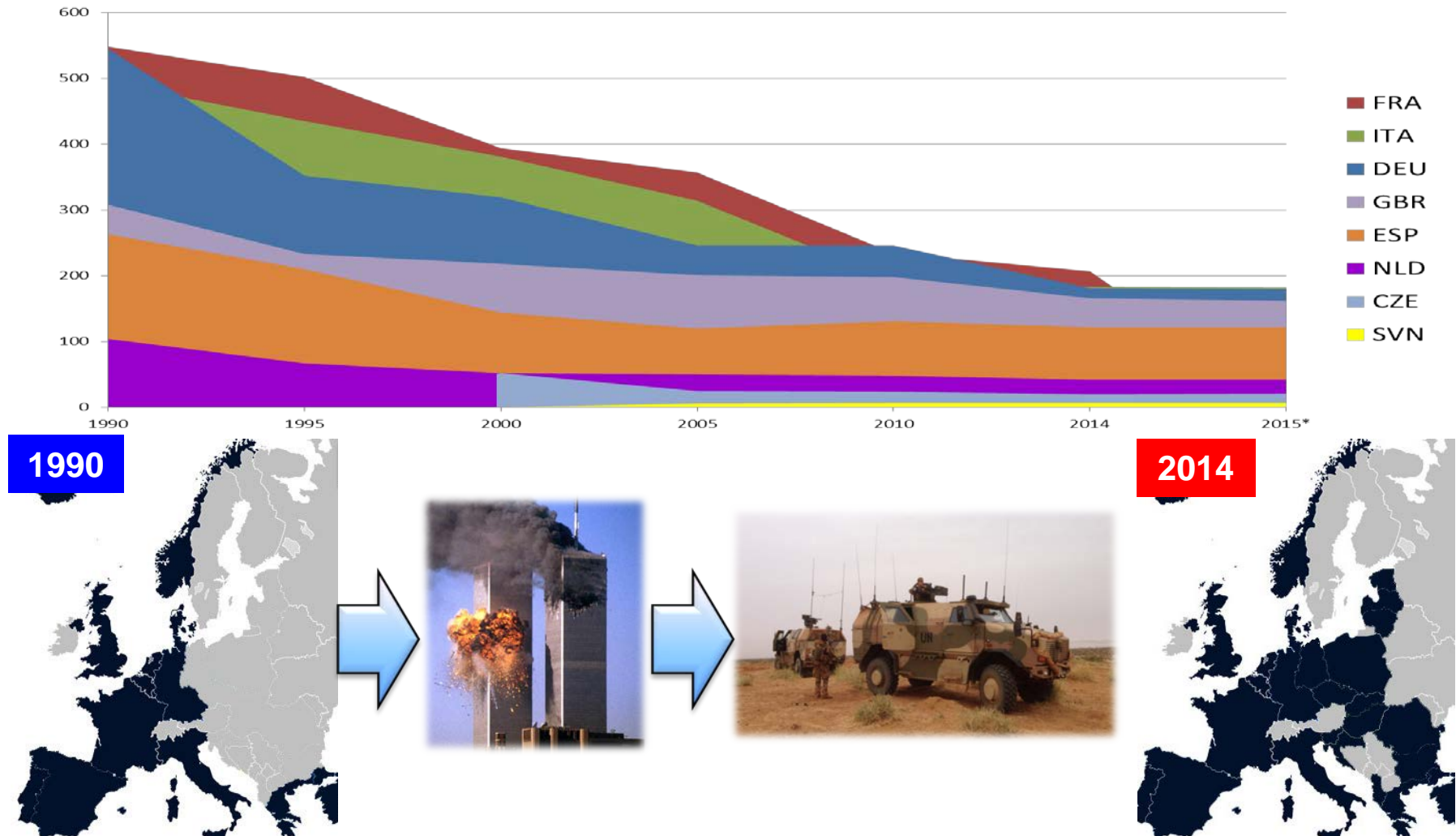
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Defence Development Lines over the last 25 Years





World in Change



- New multi-faceted security challenges
- Multipolarity
- Power Diffusion
- Pressure on western values and stability
- Crisis areas at the European periphery with various stakeholders
- Globalisation vs. Anti-Globalisation
- New nationalism
- Urbanisation
- Demographic pressure
- ...





NATO's Response



Strategic Concept 2010

Collective Defence
Crisis Management
Cooperative Security



Declaration of Wales Summit Sep 2014
*„We are reaffirming our strong
commitment to collective defence and to
ensuring security and assurance for all
Allies“*





Germany's Response

WHITE PAPER 2016: Our Security Interests



- **Protecting** our citizens, the sovereignty and territorial integrity of **our country**
- **Protecting** the territorial integrity, the sovereignty and the citizens of our **our allies**
- Maintaining the rules-based **international order** on the basis of international law
- **Ensuring prosperity** for our citizens through a strong German economy and **unimpeded world trade**
- Encouraging a responsible approach to **limited resources** and shortages of goods in the world
- Strengthening **European integration**
- Consolidating the **transatlantic partnership**

German WHITE PAPER 2016

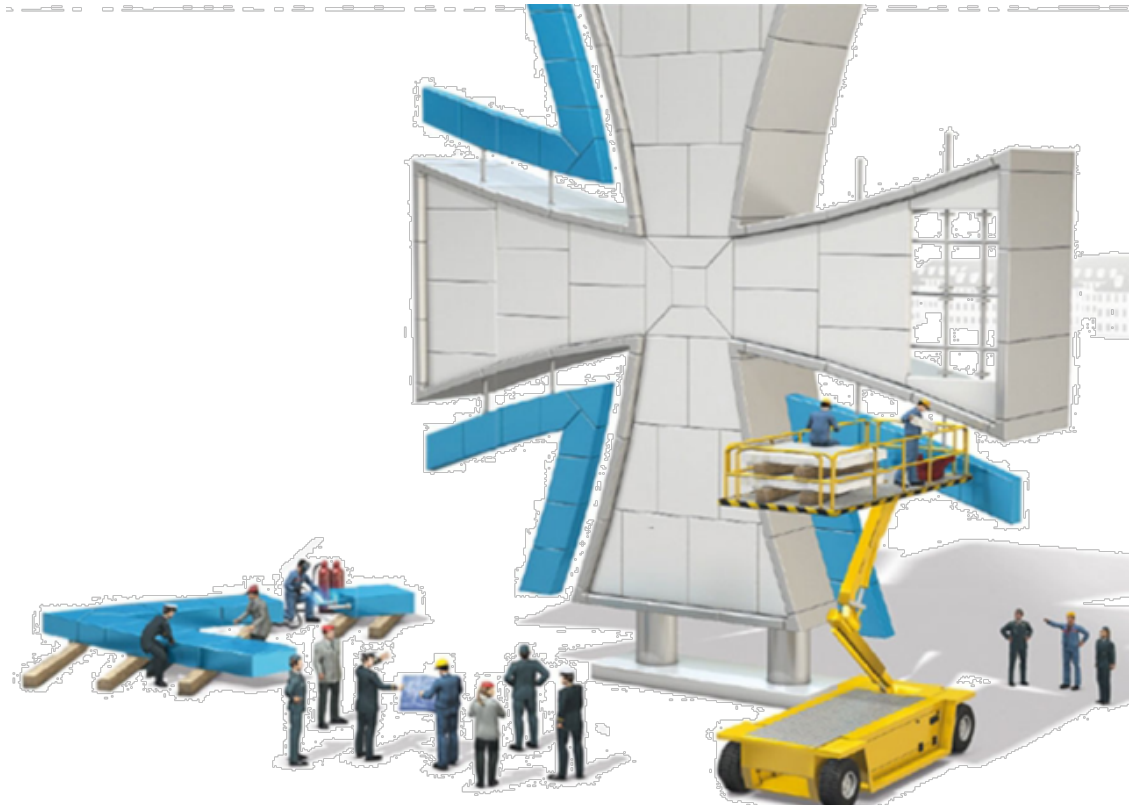
Our Strategic Priorities



- **Comprehensive approach** to security
- **Strengthening the cohesion** and effectiveness of the North Atlantic Alliance and the European Union
- **Unhindered use** of Lines of Communication and **secured access** to raw material and energy
- **Early recognition**, prevention and resolution of crises and conflicts
- **Commitment** to a rules-based international order



3 Tomorrow





Conceptual Framework



strategic political
guidelines



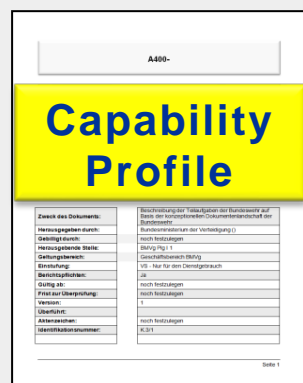
MN Input
e. g. NATO Strategic
Concept/
Political Guidance
(NATO LOA)

strategic
doctrinal
guidelines



MN requirements / requests
e.g. NATO Blue Book DEU
MN cooperations

Potential and
capacity
Bw



Strategic Priorities
Areas of DEU security policy
Mission Bw
Tasks Bw

Differentiation of the range
of tasks
National LoA
Framework for capability
profile

Quality

subtasks
capability requirements
planning Attributes
CD mission oriented force
structure

Quantity

Conceptual Framework

- Key Aspects -



The „**Capability Profile of the Bundeswehr**“ will offer a **broad variety** of options.
All tasks are of **equal rank**.





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New Challenge: Germany as a Transit Nation



- Informations Operations
- Cyber
- Hybrid



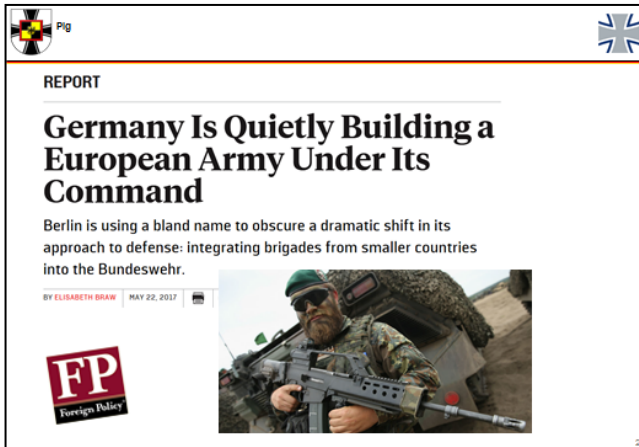
NATO

- DEU has significant role in fair burden sharing
- DEU is major force provider in Europe (lead responsibility)
- More and heavier forces with quicker responsiveness requested through NDPP
→ DEU has accepted all capability targets
- DEU adaptation of national plans in order to fulfil NATO targets expected by allies



European Union

- New EU Global Strategy (Jun 2016)
- EU GS Implementation Plan (Nov 2016)
 - Permanent structured cooperation (PESCO)
 - Coordinated Annual Review on Defence (CARD)
- EU Defence Action Plan (EDAP) (Nov 2016)
with EU Defence Fund (EDF)



- “ ... the FNC must deliver forces and capabilities which are usable, well equipped, trained and interoperable for sustainable operations ..”
(NATO Document PO(2014)0308)
- **Scope: multinational capability development**
- Aligned to the Readiness Action Plan (RAP) and NATO Defence Planning Process (NDPP)
- **Two work strands:**
FNC Capability Cluster and FNC larger formations
- 16 FNC Nations
+ 4 European Partner Nations (AUT, CHE, FIN, SWE)
+ European Defence Agency (EDA)
- Feeding NATO's Follow-on-Force pool



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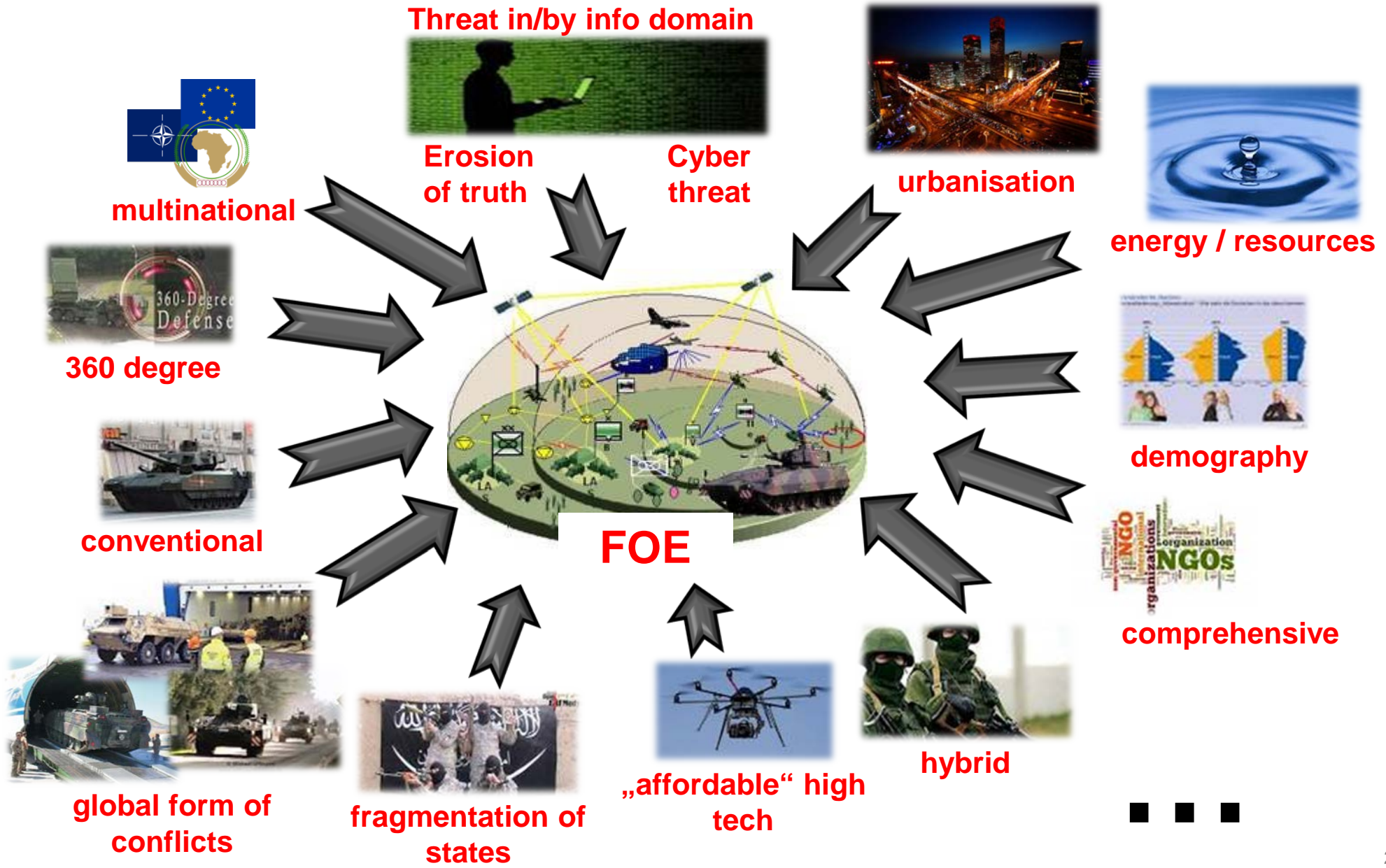
4 Day after tomorrow





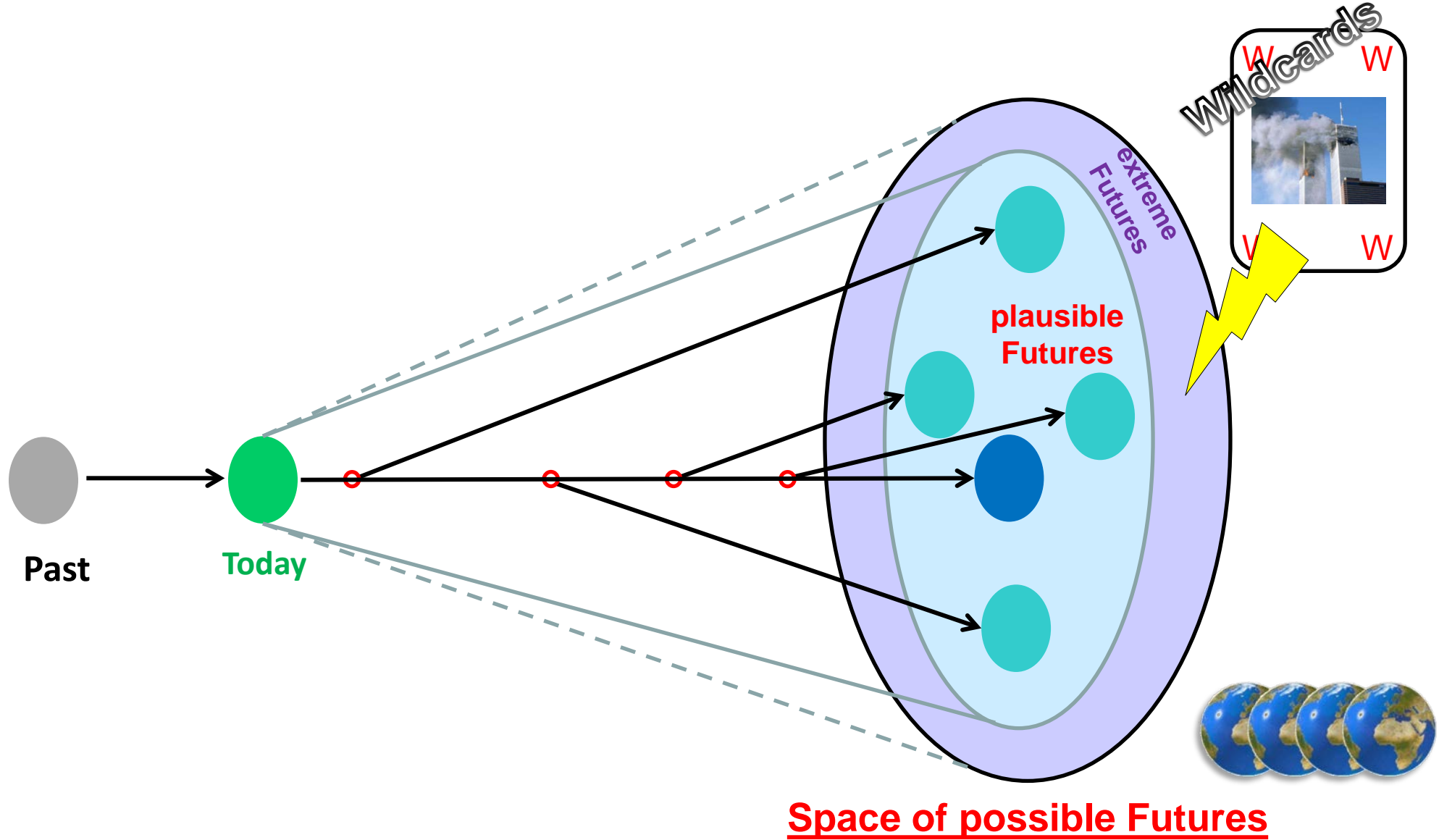
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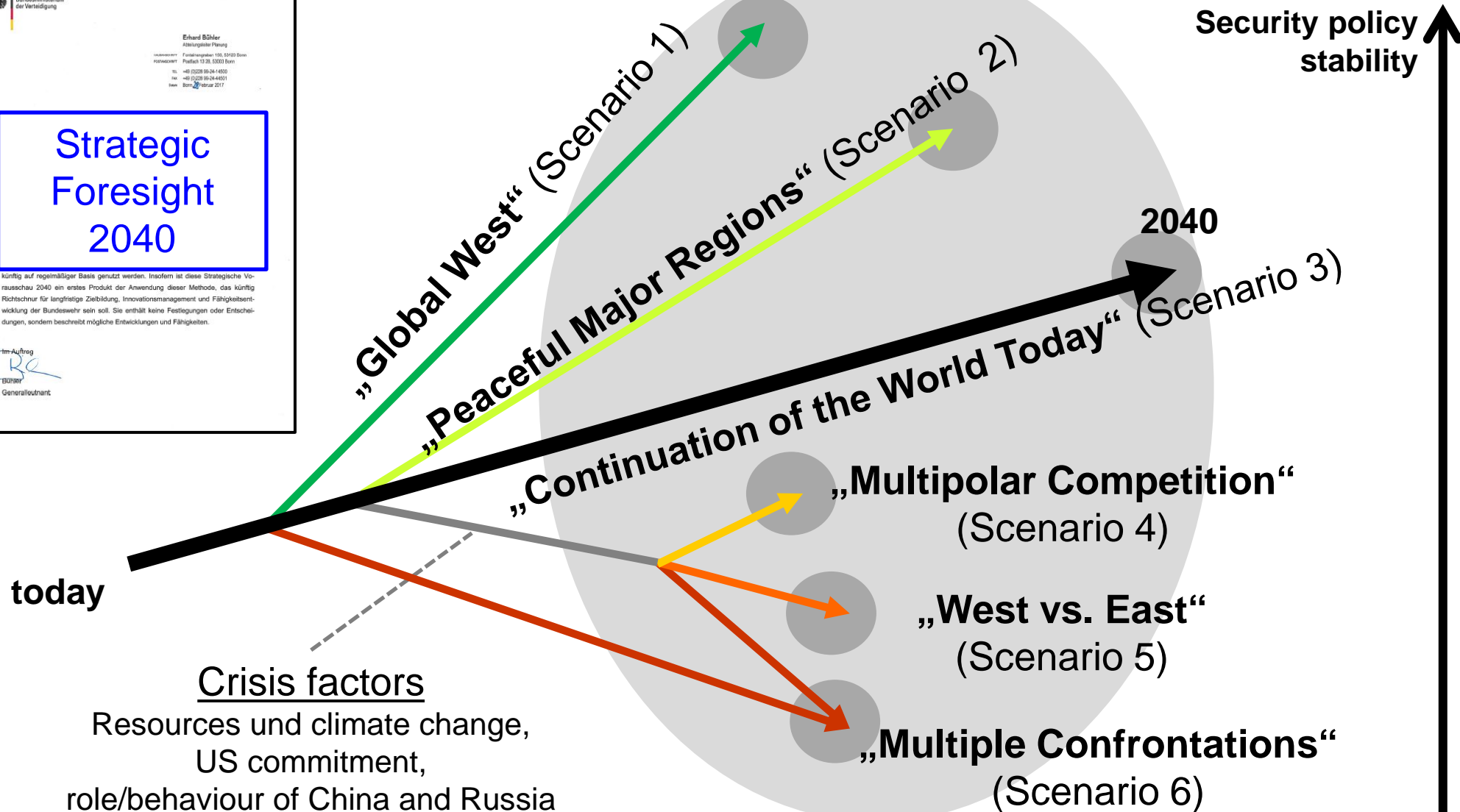
Aspects of the Future Operating Environment (FOE)






There is more than one future !







Future Combat Air System (FCAS)

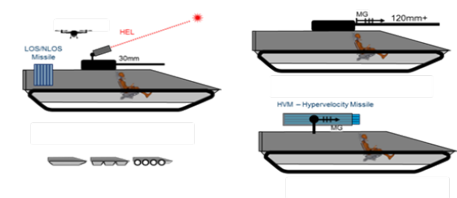
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- System-of-Systems
 - all air combat capabilities
 - generation of effects

- NGWS**
- demands of FOE
 - close future capability gaps



Main Ground Combat System (MGCS)

MGCS



2030+

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Questions & Remarks

