

It is my pleasure to introduce the very first issue of the ITSS Verona Magazine of International

Security. As the discipline of security studies grows, the creation of a new platform for students, academics, and practitioners to share their analysis and offer solutions is truly a cause for celebration.

The need for careful analysis, and importantly, policy prescription in the realm of international security, is as pressing as ever. Beyond traditional conceptions of security, it is critical for the future of security studies to recognize that matters of climate change, public health, emerging technologies, human rights, economic mobility, and race, gender, and identity, are equally central to the bedrock concerns of our discipline and society. Furthermore, we must understand that yesterday's transformative events and today's policy concerns can rarely be understood by taking one methodological or theoretical approach alone.

To comprehensively address such a wide range of pressing issues – from multiple perspectives and methodologies – requires

a whole-of-field approach and ample opportunity for research dissemination. In this respect, the founding of *ITSS Verona Magazine of International Security* is itself a contribution toward the success and growth of our global discipline.

Yet the founding of a new, constructive space for debate is a collaborative process. It takes a diverse community of dedicated authors and readers to allow a publication to flourish and achieve its important goals. As such, I hope that readers will view this introduction as a call for submissions, a call for engagement with the works presented hereafter, and most importantly, a call for community-building around the magazine and its mission.

I look forward to seeing this collaboration between editors, authors, and readers blossom around *ITSS Verona Magazine* of International Security.

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