





In November 2016, the French Institute for International and Strategic Affairs (IRIS) launched the **Observatory of Climate Change Impacts on Defence and Security**, a four-year project financed by the Directorate General for International Relations and Strategy (French Ministry of Defence).

Team

IRIS gathers a multidisciplinary team with several scholars working on different topics (security, defence, migrations, energy, economy, climate change, regional areas), climate scientists, military officers, engineers, etc. The Observatory is headed by Julia TASSE(IRIS) and François **GEMENNE** *(Université* de Liège) and brings together researchers from other think tanks like the Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique (FRS) and the Group for Research and Information on Peace and Security (GRIP).

Objectives



Deliverables



Study reports to better understand, assess and prevent direct/indirect risks and threats related to climate change impacts:

- Examining observed and expected changes and their impact on human systems
- Studying national climate policies
- > Analysing disaster and risk management policies and the participation of armed forces.
- > Elaborating crisis scenarios



Bimonthly newsletter to follow all news related to the Observatory's work: current tensions and conflicts directly or indirectly linked to environmental and climatic factors, UNFCCC negotiations, scientific progress, innovations in the defence sector, political statements and commitments, energy policy:

- Synthetic approach
- Thematic groupings
- Latest publications and reports
- Events calendar (seminars, workshops, international conferences, etc.)



Other activities delivered by the Observatory:

- Analysis to further develop a specific topic of interest (strategic or operational) for the defense sector
- Seminars to share knowledge and ideas with European and international partners
- One-off interventions to disseminate the Observatory's work and promote a French expertise on these issues.

International outreach

The Observatory regularly takes part in many international events such as:























IRIS is also one of the founding members of the *International Military Council on Climate and* Security (IMCCS). Launched by an international consortium, the IMCCS is a network of high graded military, defense experts, and security institutions from all around the world, that seeks to anticipate, analyze and address the security risks of climate change.









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