

Military intelligence history in a glance

'Intelligence' is often thought to be (nearly) as old as human history and is still primarily associated with the military sphere. However, military intelligence as a formal institution is a more recent development.

Military Intelligence in the Netherlands is rooted in the third section of the General Staff (GS-III), established a century ago to better meet the requirements of the Government for intelligence as well as security.

From that moment on the organization evolved and adapted to challenges in turbulent circumstances such as two World Wars, decolonization, Cold War and peace-keeping operations in a globally connected environment.

Change is a constant in this, and also today the focus is on how emerging and future challenges can be met.

NISA and MIVD, marking 100 years of military intelligence in the Netherlands

The Netherlands Intelligence Studies Association NISA is a non-partisan, voluntary association established in 1991. The Association's principal purpose is threefold: to provide informed debate in the Netherlands on intelligence and security issues in the widest possible sense; to support historical research in this field; and to promote and contribute to academic education.

NISA and the Netherlands Defence Intelligence and Security Service (DISS) join forces to mark this milestone in the continuing evolution of military intelligence.



website:

www.nisa-intelligence.nl

Conference location

Naval Establishment
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(next to the Maritime Museum)

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Registration

www.nisa-intelligence.nl/nisa/nisa.php



The conference and its programme

The central trend in intelligence history and main theme in this conference is the accelerating pace of change that intelligence needs to keep up with.

Leading experts from the USA, UK, India, Israel, Singapore, Belgium and the Netherlands present important episodes in four windows on the challenges - past, present and future.

Keynote: "Challenges of adapting Military Intelligence to an emerging new World"

André Ranson, Lt-General (ret.) was Commander Joint Special Operations Command (2000-2001) and Director of French Military Intelligence (2001-2005). He is board member of the International Intelligence History Association (IIHA) and he is in charge of Intelligence studies for the Joint Defense College in Paris.

"Telling Truth, ...", the programme

Conference chairman:

Bob de Graaff, historian, co-founder of NISA, professor of Intelligence and Security Studies at the University of Utrecht and the Netherlands Defence Academy, author of many books and publications on intelligence, security and terrorism.



The September 18 agenda:

● "The World at War, 1914-1945"

Edwin Ruis, *"Spy Nest: Intelligence Operations in the Netherlands, 1914-1918"*

Wim Klinkert, *"Neutrality and Intelligence: Espionage in the Netherlands, 1914-1940"*

Nicholas Rankin, *"FORTITUDE in Context: British Military Deception in two World Wars"*

● "The Year of Living Dangerously: 1962"

Michael Dobbs, *"BLUE MOON: Aerial Reconnaissance during the Cuban Missile Crisis"*

David Easter, *"Operation DJAJAWIDJAJA: Active Soviet Military Involvement in the West Irian (Dutch New Guinea) Crisis"*

Prem Mahadevan, *"The Pulse of Danger: The Failure of Intelligence in the Sino-Indian Conflict"*

The September 19 agenda:

● "Intelligence in War and Peace(keeping)"

Pieter Cobelens, *"Intelligence in Peace Support Operations: A Dutch Perspective"*

Adam Cobb, *"Intelligence Fusion Centers in the War on Terror"*

Renaud Theunens, *"Peacekeeping Intelligence: Inside the Joint Mission Analysis Center, UNIFIL"*

● "Military Intelligence: Perennials and (New) Paradigms"

Richard Aldrich, *"The Future of Military Intelligence"*

Kwa Chong Guan, *"Postmodern Intelligence: Strategic Warning and Crisis Management"*

Martin van Creveld, *"Information, Intelligence and the New Wars"*

Panel discussion

The conference will be concluded with a panel discussion, chaired by the conference chairman Bob de Graaff. A panel including the current Director of DISS, RADM Bindt will discuss the highlights of the conference.

Additional information & registration

Additional information about the congress, such as last minute changes and travel instructions are provided at the NISA-website. For questions that are not covered on the website mail to:

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