International Studies and Emerging Technologies (ISET) Working Group
First Annual Conference, May 20-21, 2022
Clinton Institute, University College Dublin, Ireland
Final Program

Friday 20 (Day One)

13.00 - 13.30   Registration and Coffee

13.30 - 14.00   Welcoming and Opening Remarks (Eugenio Lilli, ISET convener)

14.00 - 15.10   PANEL 1: Risk and Emerging Technologies
Chair: Nitasha Kaul

Tim Stevens, King's College London
Cyber Risk: Hyperconnectivity and the Political Economy of Uncertainty
Joe Burton, University of St Andrews, Simona R. Soare, International Institute for Strategic Studies
Hacking Humans: Assessing Risk Convergence in Biotechnology and Cyber Security
Robin Vanderborght, University of Antwerp
Strategic Stability under Threat: Alarming Representations of Emerging Technologies in the Discourse of Crisis Stability, Arms Racing, and Nuclear Risk

15.10 - 15.30   Coffee break

15.30 - 16.40   PANEL 2: Emerging Technologies and Governance
Chair: Andre Barrinha

Mariah Thornton, London School of Economics
Open-Source Governance: How Taiwan is Harnessing Digital Technologies and Platforms to Advance Democracy
Emmanouil Koulas, University College London
Internet Security Governance: Issues, Challenges, and Actors
Ruoxi Wang, Chi Zhang, Lixiong Lei, University of St Andrews
China's Standards in Digital Governance

16.40 - 17.00   Coffee break

17.00 - 18.10   PANEL 3: Narratives, Perceptions, and Representations
Chair: Michal Natorski

Anna Nadibaidze, University of Southern Denmark

Technology as a Status Anchor: How the Russian Leadership Perceives Artificial Intelligence
Guangyu Qiao-Franco, Southern Denmark University, Paolo Franco, Radboud University
Weaponized Artificial Intelligence in Popular Culture: Human Control, Commerciality, and Videogaming
Tom F.A. Watts, Royal Holloway University, Ingvild Bode, University of Southern Denmark
There is No Fear but What We Make for Ourselves: The Terminator and the Changing Popular Imaginations of Autonomous Weapons Systems

Saturday 21 (Day Two)

8.30 - 9.00	Registration

9.00 - 10.10   PANEL 4: Ethics and Emerging Technologies
Chair: Tim Stevens

Christian Enemark, University of Southampton
Artificial Intelligence, Human Control, and the Conduct of State Violence: An Ethical Perspective on Emerging Drone Technology
Nery Ramati, Dublin City University
Do Androids Dream Electric Sheep or Do They Dream Up Terrorists? The Use of AI in Predicting the Next Terrorist Attack
Nitasha Kaul, University of Westminster
3Es for AI: Economics, Explanation, Epistemology

10.10 - 10.30   Coffee break

10.30 - 11.40   PANEL 5: Emerging Technology and Diplomacy
Chair: Mariah Thornton

Andre Barrinha, University of Bath
Cyber Diplomacy as an Emerging Field in International Relations
Michal Natorski, Maastricht University
Negotiating the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence: Does the Democratic-Authoritarian Cleavage Exist?

11.40 - 12.00   Coffee break

12.00 -13.10   PANEL 6: Warfare and State Competition
Chair: Anna Nadibaidze

Muhammed Cagri Bilir, University of Leeds, Ahmet Arda Sensoy, University of Nottingham

Is It Because of Technology or Strategy? How Could Turkey's Recent Drone Use Shape the Next War?
Eugenio Lilli, University College Dublin
Digital Wars: US-Iran Competition in Cyber Space

13.10 - 13.40   Lunch break

13.40 - 15.00   PLENARY SESSION
This plenary session is an opportunity for all participants to share ideas and discuss opportunities for cooperation, including publications, research projects, and funding applications