

**THE INTERPLAY AND IMPACT OF ORGANISED CRIME AND TERRORISM ON
THE PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONCEPT OF SECURITY: CASE
STUDY OF ISIS**

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ABSTRACT

As the greatest threats to the national security of states as well as to the global security in the post-Cold War world were considered those of an asymmetric nature. However, nowadays, because of the policies of certain countries, the presence of instability and failed states in many regions of the world as well as the strengthening of non-state actors have affected and changed the previous situation. Today, states are facing risks of a symmetric nature, which, however, include features of an asymmetric nature as well. The distortion of religious missions, so as to use them as a reason to fight for strategic and geopolitical interests of state or non-state actors, is one example. The purpose of this paper is to analyse the interplay and impact of organized crime and terrorism on the process and the development of the concept of security. The case of the terrorist organization ISIS will be analysed. The aim of the paper is to identify the factors / elements that have contributed to the cooperation and strengthening of criminal and terrorist organizations, and the efforts that state actors have to undertake when facing these kinds of threats as well. The data used in this paper are based on the official sources of state governments and international institutions.

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