



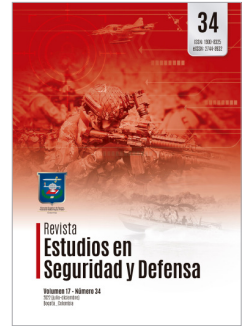
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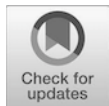
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The Colombian War College “General Rafael Reyes Prieto” seeks, in its institutional mission, to generate interdisciplinary elements of education to achieve the formation of strategic military and civilian leaders who can face the challenges in security and defense. In this sense, the deepening of research products in the security and defense area allows strengthening the essential knowledge to achieve the goal of strategic leadership. Also, the ESDEG insistently pursues compliance with the guidelines given by the Ministry of Science, Technology, and Innovation that, through Publindex, establishes the Classification Model for scientific journals - Publindex 2022. The model seeks to promote conceptual developments and methodologies to improve the impact of scientific production.

In compliance with these premises, the journal *Estudios en Seguridad y Defensa* presents its new image to the scientific and academic community following the institutional guideline led by the ESDEG Editorial Seal, cleaner, friendlier and as a strategy for disseminating data and information with greater impact. At the same time, this transformation has the purpose of monitoring good international practices that promote compliance with the necessary conditions to achieve recognition by SCOPUS, WoS and the main international Indexing and Summary Systems, including the national Publindex system.

In this edition, it has been possible to identify that in the last decade, at the geopolitical level, there have been major transformations in the international system that involves national security and defense, where additionally the military and police capabilities available to modern States to counteract the volatility of threats that stand out. They mainly affect the citizenry and, consequently, the interests of a nation. Now, in the first quarter of the 21st century, the traditional roles of the military and police forces are changing to open spaces on important issues that are of national strategic concern,

such as the protection of strategic resources without neglecting human beings and their well-being.

Undoubtedly, at the level of international governance and government agendas, the new roles of the different security forces continue to be an important topic of debate to the extent that it articulates citizen security and energy security from the perspective of human security, a perspective that is increasingly playing a leading role in a context where violence has spread to other spheres that are not necessarily political.

For this edition, the journal *Estudios en Seguridad y Defensa* proposed to highlight the capacities in the military and police fields, which continue to be the resources that are found in the strategic planning available to the States to reduce the rates of violence and, under the *Hemispheric Strategy, Geopolitics and Security* line, highlights different political, economic, social and military realities, as well as their interactions in the national and international spheres.

Citizen Security and Civil Protection in Armed Conflicts in Spain, the study starts from pointing out the new objectives that the United Nations Organization (UN) according to a new global approach that contemplates war, terrorism and crime, but at the same time articulates conflicts complex and multidimensional that affect security and coexistence. As important aspects to highlight in the analysis for the case of Spain, the Civil Protection Law 17/2015 and Citizen Security Law 4/2015 are highlighted, two legislative documents that indicate an intervention by the government for coexistence in streets. As a central argument, the consolidation of structures and networks is pointed out, a necessity for the allocation of necessary resources with the objective of strengthening the management of emergencies and catastrophes, and it is recommended that it be included in the General State Plan for Civil Protection Emergencies.

In addition to the previous article, in the document entitled *Education and Institutions: Colombian Military Forces and the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda*, in relation to the above, the importance of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) is highlighted. of the UN, goals that seek to comprehensively improve living conditions and survival of human beings on earth. For this case, Colombia is taken, a State that maintains the commitment to improve the quality of life for its citizens through the search for stable and lasting peace through the Military Forces. In conclusion, it is highlighted that the 2030 Agenda projects coordinated and simultaneous development, capacities and skills, where integrality is sought through military education in the face of comprehensive reflection from the social, as part of professional training to overcome social challenges and that allow the construction of peace from a territorial and institutional sphere that is the responsibility of the Public Force in a role that is not necessarily armed.

Muslim Communities in Latin America. Strategic Relationship and Implication for Global Security, is a study on Islam in Latin America, a topic that addresses global

security seen from the expansionism of that religion in Latin America and its relationship with security. As a finding, the clash between the western and eastern perspectives regarding religion is established, an aspect that involves culture and the marked prejudice that the West has in the sphere of security, given the acts of violence by radical groups in the Middle East.

Energy Security and National Interests in the Framework of the Transition Towards Renewable Energies, is a critical analysis of the energy transition and the importance of diversifying the use of energy sources for environmental damage given global warming. One of the important contributions of evidence is to affirm that the energy transition simultaneously involves geopolitical changes due to power relations and the national interests of the States that exploit fossil resources, a debate that will involve a long-term structural transformation of the international system. and markets where technologically developed countries will maintain the lead if they achieve full independence from non-renewable energy.

The Fallen Soldier as an Icon: A Look from the Monuments to Historical Memory and the Recognition of Military Work in Europe, is an analysis that includes the historical memory processes of fallen soldiers and the recognition process materialized in symbolic representations such as monuments. In this way, through it is invited to understand the importance of symbolic memory as part of a human process that starts from the European perspective. As a conclusion, one is made to the politicization of memory given the lack of dialogues that allow the construction of collective memories and the construction of the imaginary of the soldier as an individual.

The drills are a planning exercise before it is executed, it also allows strengthening the coordination of the team and its resources. In the article entitled, *Drills, the Perception of Security and its Communication in the Organization of Events*, the importance of the perception of security is evidenced through the development of drills against incidents and accidents. It is established that it should be a recommended and necessary practice to deepen the security and perception conditions. As a Finding, a relationship is established between the risk and the accident, noting that the latter materialize due to the lack of planning and forecasting.

Tools for Educational Innovation: Reflection from the Approach of Didactic Configurations for the Combined Arms School of the Colombian National Army, this article addresses the pedagogical approach of didactic configurations applicable to the Combined Arms School of the National Army (ESACE for its acronym in English). Through the analysis of teaching spaces, the needs and challenges are established. The analysis addresses the problem of knowledge in a rote way and the lack of development of critical thinking, problems that are added to the weak use of tools provided by information technologies in didactic strategies.

In this way, the different perspectives are recognized, in the region and in the world, on the issues presented in order to consolidate multidisciplinary visions of the conjunctures in the field of geopolitics, strategy, and hemispheric security. In this way, it seeks to contribute to the threats that affect the stability of the State and contribute to the construction of security in an integral way.

The present results of the investigations aim to make visible approaches and paradigms of thought towards other spheres of society, and an opportunity to develop the analytical and critical perspective of current problems that are articulated with security and national defense.

Finally, in this edition three book reviews are presented that seek to present to the academic community their interpretation of the reviewed books, seeking to bring scientific production closer to the critical reading of the community on those literary works that, in this case, are products research result. Firstly, the book "*Theoretical Contributions to the Construction of the Concept of Strategic Intelligence*" is reviewed, edited by Carlos Alberto Ardila Castro and Jonnathan Jiménez Reina. Secondly, the review of the book "*Colombia: Progress and Challenges Against Transnational Organized Crime*" is presented, a book edited by Lorena Andrea Erazo-Patiño, Ximena Andrea Cujabante-Villamil and Angie Julieth Arenas-Piedrahita. And, finally, the review of the book "*The Fifth Branch. History of the Colombian Army Aviation*" by Gustavo Andrés Tovar Cabrera and Erika Constanza Figueroa Pedreros. These products were published by the ESDEG Editorial Seal and the Escuela Militar de Cadetes Editorial Seal, respectively. With this, it is hoped that readers can have an approach to these research products and can be of interest and consultation to encourage the generation of new knowledge.