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Is NATO BMD obsolete?

Future direction of NATO missile defence policy

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NATO BMD vs. NATO IAMD

- No significant change of NATO BMD policy since 2010
- Increased relevance of the IAMD
- Need for holistic approach



A diagram consisting of a large blue rounded rectangle. Inside this rectangle, at the top, is a smaller dark grey rounded rectangle containing the text 'BMD'. In the bottom right corner of the large blue rectangle, the text 'IAMD' is written in white.

BMD

IAMD

How integrated is NATO IAMD

- Single policy document
- Dedicated standing defence plan
- Unified command
- Comprehensive ETE plan
 - BMC3I backbone
 - Internal organization
 - Specific BMD policies

BMD policy specificities

- Voluntary national contributions
 - Permanent BMD mission
 - Not directed against Russia

US MDR and NATO

- Scope expanded
- Comprehensive approach
- Potential adversaries
- Reiterated commitment to NATO - EPAA
- Inviting Allies to further investment
- New technologies

Conclusion

- **Specific BMD policy still relevant**
- **Increasing importance of coherent IAMD**
- **US MDR with limited immediate implications for NATO**