



# MILITARY SCIENCES IN ACTION: FROM OPERATIONAL INSIGHTS TO DEFENCE INNOVATION

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## CALL FOR PAPERS

The International Society of Military Sciences (ISMS) invites scholars, practitioners, and defence professionals to submit research for the 2026 Annual Conference. Contemporary conflicts continue to reshape defence thinking, demanding that operational experience be translated into forward-leaning innovation. This year's theme highlights how military sciences can bridge battlefield insights with capability development, strategic adaptation, and future-ready defence policy.

We welcome contributions illuminating how hybrid threats, rapid technological change, and multi-domain complexity shape new demands for military analysis, education, and decision-making. Interdisciplinary and cross-national perspectives are especially encouraged, including research connecting technology and policy, operational experience and ethical-legal considerations, or defence management and autonomous systems development.

While the thematic scope outlined above provides guidance, it is not exhaustive – submissions addressing other relevant aspects of military sciences are equally welcome.

Submissions are reviewed within the following working groups. Authors are invited to indicate the most appropriate group for their paper.

- WAR STUDIES
- MILITARY HISTORY
- MILITARY TECHNOLOGY
- LEADERSHIP, COMMAND & CONTROL
  - LAW & ETHICS
- SECURITY & DEFENCE POLICY
- ARMED FORCES & SOCIETY
- DEFENCE MANAGEMENT
- MILITARY EDUCATION
- STRATEGY

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