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From 28 February to 1 March, the Remote Warfare Programme held a two day conference entitled 'Conceptualising Remote Warfare: The Past, Present and Future'. Sponsored by the British International Studies Association, the conference brought together a wide range of experts from the military, academia, civil society and parliament and explored the many aspects of remote warfare.

This roundtable looks at how Artificial intelligence will effect the future of remote warfare.

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#### **About the speakers**

**Larry Lewis** is the Director of the Center for Autonomy and Artificial Intelligence at CNA. His areas of expertise include lethal autonomy, reducing civilian casualties, identifying lessons from current operations, security assistance, and counterterrorism.

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Hendrik Huelss is a Post-Doctoral Researcher at the School of Politics and International Relations, University of Kent. His research is on International Relations Theory with a focus on norms and governmentality studies. Empirically, he is interested in Autonomous Weapons Systems, the EU's external relations, and the role of technologies in neoliberal governing. Hendrik supports the development of grant applications in the School of Politics and IR.

Ingvild Bode is a Senior Lecturer in International Relations at the University of Kent. ngvild is the author of Individual Agency and Policy Change at the United Nations (Routledge, 2015) and the co-author of Governing the Use-of-Force: The Post-9/11 US Challenge on International Law (Palgrave, 2014, with Aiden Warren). She has published in journals such as the European Journal of International Relations, Global Governance, International Studies Perspectives, and Contemporary Security Policy.

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