

NARRATIVES ON THE MIDDLE EAST WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION-FREE ZONE

Historical accounts, drivers, and themes



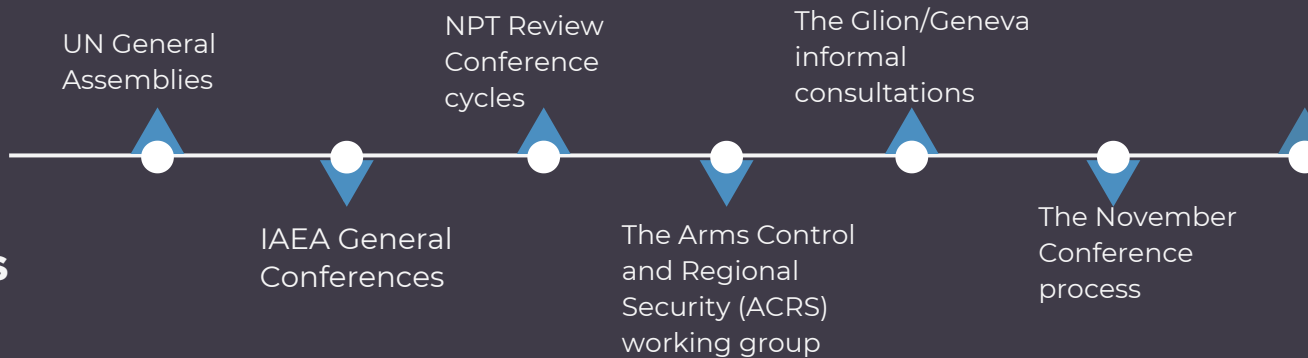
HISTORICAL ACCOUNTS

Historical accounts of the Middle East WMD-Free Zone (ME WMDFZ) based on 80 interviews with current and former officials and experts from 20 states and regional and international organizations that have played an important role in the Zone

Subjective views of the ME WMDFZ with chapters on the countries of the League of Arab States, Iran, Israel, Russia, and the United States

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CROSS CUTTING ANALYSIS OF KEY ZONE-RELATED PROCESSES AND EVENTS OVER NEARLY 50 YEARS



Drivers of state policies toward the Middle East WMD-Free Zone



The perils of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons as well as their means of delivery



Perceptions of regional security dynamics and how they relate to the threats posed by weapons of mass destruction



The role of self-perception, bilateral relations, legacies of conflict, and ideational factors

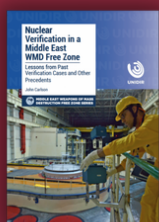


Interests of global powers and the health of international WMD arms control, disarmament, and non-proliferation regimes

THEMES INCLUDING CONVERGENCE AND DIVERGENCE BETWEEN STATES OF THE REGION ON:

- The importance and objectives of the Middle East WMD-Free Zone
- The causes for failure of past ME WMDFZ processes
- The preferred pathway to pursue the ME WMDFZ
- The impact of the transformation of the Middle East regional security environment on the Zone
- The responsibility of extra-regional actors for the lack of progress, unfulfilled promises, and double standards on the Zone

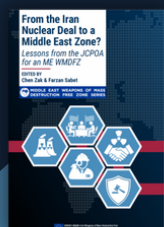
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