

**Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies**

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**Organization's mandate/goals:**

The purpose of the Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies is to foster research, teaching, and public discussion of military and strategic issues of national and international significance. The Centre was founded in 1991 with support from the Military and Strategic Studies programme (now the Security and Defence Forum) of Canada's Department of National Defence.

**Areas of expertise relevant to 2001 UN Conference on Small Arms:**

**Other -- *Strategic Studies***

The research activities of the Centre are multi-disciplinary, with concentrations on military history and the strategic analysis of defence operations, peacekeeping, and arms control. In the strategic component, formal methods are used to represent and analyse strategic problems, and find practical solutions. The history component focuses on the armed forces of Canada and the conflicts in which they have been engaged.