

also compel policy-makers to focus attention beyond the narrow "classical" agenda of weapons of mass destruction. Such efforts will be bounded, however, by structural considerations stemming from the nature of the global arms transfer and production system, the economic and political imperatives facing its different groups of participants, and from the trajectory of recent change in the system itself. Successful efforts to constrain conventional proliferation will have to take into account these conditions. Addressing these issues will also require broadening the ambit of arms control, non-proliferation and verification policies to include issues concerned with technology and technology transfers, national export control policies, and development assistance. The precise levers that could be used to link these issues to the problem of stemming the proliferation of conventional weapons is not clear, however, and several avenues of further research need to be explored.