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Dr. Carl Rehberg is a Non-resident Senior Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments.

Carl was founder and director of the Headquarters Air Force Asia-Pacific Cell, which played a pivotal role in the development of Air Force strategy, force development, planning, analysis and warfighting concepts supporting initiatives related to Asia-Pacific and the DoD Third Offset Strategy. Carl spearheaded the establishment of the China Aerospace Studies Institute (CASI) and led the development of innovative concepts and capability proposals to improve DoD's joint resiliency and integrated air and missile defenses. Prior to this assignment, he was the Assistant Associate Director for AF Strategic Planning and Director, Analysis Division in the AF QDR organization, leading multiple assessments of future capabilities and force structure.

During his 26+ year Air Force career, Carl served as a command pilot with over 6200 hours flying time in 25+ different aircraft including the KC-135, B-1B, TG-7, and T-3A. He taught Military Art and Science at the USAF Academy, and was instrumental in helping form the USAF Academy Center for Character Development. In the late 1990s, he served in the Pentagon as a strategic planner, programmer and analyst, leading several studies for the Secretary of Defense on the Total Force. In 2001, Carl was selected as a National Security Fellow at Harvard and then spent two years at the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) teaching courses in grand strategy, military mobilization, and the aircraft industrial base. As Chief, Long-Range Plans of the Air Staff, Carl led the development of future force structure plans and courses of action for numerous AF/defense resource and tradespace analyses.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology [Aviation Administration]—With Honors

California State University Los Angeles

Master of Arts in Political Science

University of South Dakota

Ph.D. in Public Administration

University of Colorado at Denver

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Areas of Expertise

- Asia-Pacific
- Defense Aircraft and Munitions Industrial Bases
- Force Planning
- Integrated Air and Missile Defense
- Long-Term Military Competition
- Strategic Assessments & Planning