



Jacob Cohn

Senior Analyst

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

As a Senior Analyst at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, Mr. Cohn manages the Strategic Choices Tool and contributes to studies and wargames run by the organization. He works to educate and inform policy makers, senior leaders, and the general public about the defense budget and particularly the linkages between resources, strategy, and operational concept development. Mr. Cohn has authored a number of research and analysis publications on trends in the defense budget, defense acquisitions, and the cost of operations against the Islamic State, as well as case studies exploring the Second Nuclear Age and defending European frontline states. He regularly contributes to print and broadcast media. He is also an adjunct lecturer at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

CURRENT POSITION

Mr. Cohn is a senior analyst at CSBA, an independent policy research institute established to promote innovative thinking about defense planning and investment strategies for the 21st century.

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Mr. Cohn began his career at CARE USA, an international development agency managing multi-million dollar grants for the Policy and Advocacy team.

After leaving CARE USA in 2009, Mr. Cohn served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in The Gambia from 2009–2011. He led projects extending access to safe water and developing IT best practices for small businesses, local government, and public health institutions.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts with Highest Honors in Economics and Math
Emory University

Master of Arts in International Economics and Strategic Studies
Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

Worked in the Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict office at the Pentagon

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Strategy Development
Defense Budgets
Quantitative Military Operations Analysis
Operational Concept Development
& Wargaming
Scenario Development