



Jacob Cohn

Research Fellow

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

As a Research Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, Mr. Cohn manages the Strategic Choices Tool and conducts research and analysis for both the Strategic Studies and the Budgetary Studies programs. His primary areas of interest concern trends in the overall defense budget and in particular the linkages between resources and strategy. His research also focuses on the utilization of scenarios and wargames to facilitate long-range strategic planning and operational concept development. Mr. Cohn has authored a number of publications on trends in the defense budget and defense acquisitions as well as case studies exploring the Second Nuclear Age and defending European frontline states. He contributes to print and broadcast media and is also an adjunct lecturer at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

CURRENT POSITION

Mr. Cohn is a Research Fellow 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