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## **CSBA Welcomes Whitney McNamara as Non-Resident Senior Fellow**

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Related Expert: Whitney M. McNamara

Washington, DC – The Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA) today announced the appointment of Whitney M. McNamara as a Non-Resident Senior Fellow. Ms. McNamara, currently an Associate Vice President at Beacon Global Strategies, will support CSBA's ongoing work on defense innovation, future operational concepts, and emerging technologies.

Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken, CSBA's President and CEO, said, "We are delighted to have Whitney McNamara back at CSBA. She served with distinction as a Senior Analyst on our research staff and contributed to several important CSBA publications. We are proud of her subsequent accomplishments in government and the private sector and look forward to her engagement with our research agenda."

Before joining Beacon Global Strategies, Ms. McNamara led the Science and Technology portfolio of the Department of Defense's Defense Innovation Board, whose mission is to provide senior DoD leaders with advice on emerging security technologies and innovative approaches to military operations. She also served in DoD's Chief Information Office as an emerging technologies policy subject matter expert. During her prior tenure at CSBA, Ms. McNamara co-authored *Winning the Invisible War: Gaining an Enduring U.S. Advantage in the Electromagnetic Spectrum* (<https://csbaonline.org/research/publications/winning-the-invisible-war-gaining-an-enduring-u.s.-advantage-in-the-electromagnetic-spectrum>)(<https://csbaonline.org/research/publications/winning-the-invisible-war-gaining-an-enduring-u.s.-advantage-in-the-electromagnetic-spectrum>) (2019), *Contain, Degrade and Defeat: A Defense Strategy for a Troubled Middle East* (<https://csbaonline.org/research/publications/contain-degrade-and-defeat-a-defense-strategy-for-a-troubled-middle-east>)a-defense-strategy-for-a-troubled-middle-east) (2017), and *U.S. Strategy for Maintaining a Europe Whole and Free* (<https://csbaonline.org/research/publications/u.s.-strategy-for-maintaining-a-europe-whole-and-free>) (2017). She received her M.A. in Strategic Studies and International Economics from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and her B.A. in Political Science from the University of Pittsburgh.

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