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BIOGRAPHY

Dr Raluca Csernatononi is a Professor on European security and diplomacy, focusing on new digital technologies, at the Centre for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy (CSDS), as well as Vesalius College (VeCo), of Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium. At the CSDS, she is a Senior Researcher on digital technologies for the EU-funded Horizon Europe project, 'Indo-Pacific-European Hub for Digital Partnerships: Trusted Digital Technologies for Sustainable Well-Being' (INPACE). She is a Co-leader of the Flemish Research Council (FWO) Research Network on 'Technology, Security and Conflict' (2024 -2029).

Csernatononi is currently a Research Fellow at Carnegie Europe in Brussels, Belgium, where she specialises in European security and defence, with a focus on emerging and disruptive technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI). At Carnegie Europe, she serves as a Team Leader and Senior Researcher on new technologies for the EU-funded project, EU Cyber Diplomacy Initiative – EU Cyber Direct (EUCD), and leads Carnegie Europe's research on 'The EU's Techno-Politics of AI'. Csernatononi is also a Co-Leader of the 'Governance of Emerging Technology' Research Group with the Centre on Security and Crisis Governance (CRITIC) at the Royal Military College Saint-Jean, Canada.

Between 2022 and 2025, Csernatononi was invited to join as a Visiting Professor on European security, technology, and the future of warfare by the Department of International Relations of Central European University (CEU) in Vienna, Austria. Previously, Csernatononi was a Postdoctoral Researcher and Lecturer with the Department of International Relations at the Institute of Political Studies at Charles University in Prague, Czechia. Csernatononi researched EU security, defence and technological policies at the Faculté des Sciences Sociales et Politiques of Université libre de Bruxelles, the Royal Higher Institute for Defence's Centre for Security and Defence Studies, and at the International Security Information Service Europe in Brussels. She was also a Research Fellow in the Study Program on European Security at the Institute for European Politics in Berlin, Germany. Csernatononi holds a PhD and a Master's degree in International Relations from CEU.

Her academic articles appeared in peer-reviewed journals such as *Minds and Machines: Journal for Artificial Intelligence, Philosophy and Cognitive Science, Global Policy, Geopolitics, European Foreign Affairs Review, European Security, Critical Military Studies, Global Affairs*, and *European View*. Her co-edited book, *Emerging Security*

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