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Qualifications

- PhD (Birmingham)
- M.Soc.Sci (Birmingham)
- BA (Warwick)

Biography

Mark Webber is an International Relations specialist. Having begun his academic career specialising in Russian foreign policy, he has spent the last ten years teaching and researching foreign policy analysis, security studies and international organisation. The specific focus of his current research is the politics of NATO and European enlargement. Professor Webber worked for nearly twenty years at Loughborough University before moving to Birmingham in January 2011 as the Head of the School of Government and Society.

Head of the School of Government and Society and member of the Board of the College of Social Sciences.

Research

Research and academic interests

- . The politics, history and theoretical interpretation of NATO
- Foreign policy analysis
- Security governance
- EU Common Security and Defence Policy
- Comparative international organizations
- Russian foreign policy and the international politics of the former Soviet Union

Current and recent projects

- NATO after Afghanistan (ESRC Seminar Series, commencing October 2012).
- Theorizing NATO
- · Europe after Enlargement
- NATO: Survival or Regeneration? British Academy (completed 2007)
- Inclusion, Exclusion and the Governance of European Security, Leverhulme Research Fellowship (completed 2004)
- Security Governance in the New Europe, joint holder, Economic and Social Research Council, 'New Security Challenges' programme (completed 2002)

Other activities

Other professional appointments

- Research Associate NATO Watch
- Member of the Political Studies Association
- Member of the British International Studies Association
- Member of the Royal Institute of International Affairs
- Member of the editorial board of European Security

Publications

(with Azeem Ibrahim and Simon Smith), Defence and Security in an Independent Scotland (Edinburgh: The Scotland Institute, June 2013).

M. Webber, 'NATO after 9/11: Theoretical Perspectives', in E. Hallams, L. Ratti and B. Zyla (eds.), NATO beyond 9/11: the Transformation of the Atlantic Alliance (Palgrave, Macmillan: 2014).

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'NATO's Post-Cold War Operations in Europe', in J. Sperling and S.V. Papacosma (eds), NATO after Sixty Years: A Stable Crisis (Kent, Ohio: Kent State University Press, 2012)

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The Common Security and Defence Policy in a Multilateral World', in P. Koutrakos (ed), European Foreign Policy: Legal and Political Perspectives (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2011).

(co-authored with Lorenzo Cladi), 'Italian Foreign Policy in the Post-Cold war Period: A Neoclassical Realist Approach', European Security, Vol.20(2), 2011

'NATO: within and Between European International Society' Journal of European Integration, Vol. 32(2), 2011 (special issue co-edited by Yannis Stivachtis and Mark Webber on 'Europe after Enlargement')

(co-authored with James Sperling), 'NATO: from Kosovo to Kabul', International Affairs, Vol.85(3), 2009.

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(with M.E. Smith), 'Political Dialogue and Security in the European Neighbourhood: The Virtues and Limits of "New Partnership Perspectives", European Foreign Affairs Review, Vol.13(1), 2008

Inclusion, Exclusion and the Governance of European Security (Manchester and New York: Manchester University Press, 2007).

(as lead author with T. Terriff, J. Howorth, S. Croft and E. Krahmann), The Governance of European Security', Review of International Studies, Vol.30(1), 2004

(as lead author with M. Smith and others), Foreign Policy in a Transformed World (Harlow, Essex: Prentice Hall/Pearson Education, 2002)

(as editor and contributor), Russia and Europe: Cooperation or Conflict? (Houndmills, Basingstoke: Macmillan Press, 2000)

CIS Integration Trends: Russia and the Former Soviet South (Royal Institute of International Affairs, Former Soviet South Key Paper, 1997)

The International Politics of Russia and the Successor States (Manchester and New York: Manchester University Press, 1996)