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Theoretical Discussions on War in International Relations

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Since the end of the twentieth century, much of the debate about modern warfare has been about whether it should be described as 'old' or 'new'. However, there has not been a definitive answer as to which best reflects war in the modern world. Increasingly, the alternative arguments are polarized into opposing camps. Indeed, it would be fair to say that there is little in the way of debate at all. By revaluating the strengths and weaknesses of each argument, this conference aims to describe these two camps, namely "new war" and "old war" proponents. In fact, there is a middle way between these camps. In essence, I would argue a new approach is emerging as Critical Strategic Studies.

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