DESCRIPTION

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• Identifies the trends and factors that have driven and could further propel the Euro-Atlantic security community towards different futures.

• Analyses the security policy implications of each scenario for states within this region.
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