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The article considers the changes in the U.S. strategy shaped by its pivot to Asia-Pacific and their impact on the Alliance policies. The U.S. views on power projection and their implications for NATO's geopolitical outreach are scrutinized. The author has come to conclusion that the essence of controversy between "globalists" and "traditionalists" is rooted in their different perceptions of what the collective defense (art. 5) commitments mean in today's world. Resources for further NATO enlargement in Europe as well as the Alliance security partnership extension beyond European boundaries are thoroughly analyzed. Special attention is paid to the implications of the 'Arab awakening' in the Middle East for the U.S. and the Alliance policies in the region.

*Key words:* the United States, strategy, NATO, partners, Asia-Pacific region, the Middle East.

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The article is devoted to a comparison of three approaches to Russian-Chinese relations. The first approach is official, in general optimistic, the second – expert one, where the emphasis is made on the threats towards Russia from China; the third approach is linked with the assessments of residents of the Far East region of Russia, who are generally favourable towards China. The article identifies the most

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*Key words:* China, Russia, the Chinese threat, the Confucius Institute.

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In the article considers the problems of the formation the system of relations between Russia and Belarus in the context of concept integration development of the former Soviet Union.

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*Key words:* integration, post-soviet area, the CIS, the Union State, the Russian Federation, Belarus, Kazakhstan, the Customs Union, EurAsEC.

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*Key words:* political management, party-building, political technologies, political marketing, parties.

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*Key words:* special conditions, special conditions typology, classification of emergencies, the state of emergency, the forces of national security.

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*Key words:* Turkey, Justice and Development Party, USA, European integration, Greater Middle East, regional powers.

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The article analyzes results of the UN World Summits “Planet Earth” in 1992 and “RIO +20” in 2012 in the framework of international energy partnerships. Since 1990-s the world energy resources market has highly volatiled leading to the development of alternative energy sources/green power as a top priority. Facing new challenges and threats as energy shortage the world community works out new mechanisms and international approaches towards this problem. One of these mechanisms is Global Sustainable Electricity Partnership (GSEP), UN-run energy partnership platform since 1992 UN “Planet Earth Summit”. Article analyses results of Russian participation in this organization and provides overview for future collaboration together with top leading world companies.

*Key words:* energy cooperation, UN Earth Summit, Global Sustainable Electricity Partnership, sustainable development.

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*Key words:* banking sector, banking services, financial sector, Sweden.

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*Key words:* post-industrial society, the information society, the space age, space exploration.

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*Key words:* the Battle of Kursk, battle of Prokhorovka, operation “Citadel”, operation “Kutuzov”, operation “General Rumyantsev”.

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