

REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: Assessing The Ukraine-Russia Conflict: A Threat to Global Energy Security and The Prospect of a Third World War

Recommendation:

Accept as it is
 Accept after minor revision.....yes.....
 Accept after major revision
 Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		•		
Techn. Quality			•	
Clarity		•		
Significance		•		

Reviewer Name: Dr Musssaib Rasool Mir

Reviewer's Comment for Publication.

(To be published with the manuscript in the journal)

The Russia Ukraine war has been a caused huge loss to the whole energy sector particularly in Europe and West which is solely dependent on the supply of Russian energy. On the one hand the war has changed the way in which the post cold war Eurasia was seen by the scholars on the other hand the energy crisis has lead to the security concerns on the part of the NATO and West. The war has not escalated to the level that the alliances of Ukraine are directly fighting Russia but at many times Putin has warned of using strategic nukes if the West or NATO gives membership to Ukraine in its exclusive clubs. The paper has taken an important aspect of the strategic confrontation between the key players involved in the conflict and provides vital inputs into the prospects of the war through the prism of energy and security studies.

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Detailed Reviewer's Report

Strengths: The Authors have done a commendable job both by way of putting the arguments and by picking such an important topic for research. The strengths overweigh and overwhelm the areas of improvement. Some strengths are mentioned below:

1. Organization and Flow: the overall organization of the manuscript and flow of arguments is quite good and well structured.
2. Use of theoretical framework, clear methodology, and exposition of arguments has made it clear and easy to comprehend the problem.
3. Depth of Analysis: the headings and subheadings properly flow in a linear manner. The analysis of different factors and roles have been properly spelled out. The arguments have a logical and consistent arrangement.
4. Balance of focus: the theoretical arguments are well substantiated by use of vast sources and theoretical knowledge from scholars in this field. The secondary use of literature has done justice to the topic.
5. Clarity of language and soft transitions between the paragraphs.
6. Well referenced article as many works have been cited and used throughout the paper.
7. Use of recommendations, and findings at the end of the paper is very much appreciated.

Weaknesses and areas of Improvement:

1. Line 204- 274, where the author has explained the great power rivalry in Africa can be omitted from the paper as its unnecessary to bring Africa into the topic. Kindly revise the section and see if it demands any further synchronization after editing the lines mentioned.
2. Briefly address the recent changes in the relationship between the two states, US and Russia where Trump has, if not directly sided with Putin but has used a language which is very much sympathetic to him and demands a transactional approach while dealing with Ukraine like signing of the rare minerals agreement. In the changing atmosphere kindly explain how the prospects of the so called third world war change.
3. The research methodology part is not clear. Kindly explain how the work has been carried out , what methods have been used and the broader framework in which the work has been done. Explain the use of "interview of experts". Does the author mean that they have interviewed the experts in the field or what? Kindly put some light on the section and revise the same.

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4. The discussion part is very vast and not clear at times. Make it more succinct and minimize the use of long paras and the whole discussion stretching up to long pages.

Overall Assessment:

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Revise the paper in the light of above comments. All the best.

Regards.