



Mathew Burrows

Topics

Military and Defense

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District of Columbia

Bio

Mathew Burrows serves as director of the Atlantic Council's Strategic Foresight Initiative. His recent book is entitled *The Future Declassified: Megatrends that Will Undo the World Unless We Take Action*. In August 2013, he retired from a 28-year career in the CIA and State Department, the last ten being spent at the National Intelligence Council (NIC), the premier analytic unit in the US Intelligence Community. In 2007, he was appointed Counselor which is the number three position in the NIC and was responsible for managing a staff of senior analysts and production technicians who guide and shepherd all NIC products from inception to dissemination. He was the principal drafter for the NIC publication *Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds*, which received widespread praise in the international media. He also drafted two earlier editions of the report. Mathew joined the CIA in 1986, serving as an analyst for the Directorate of Intelligence (DI), covering Western Europe, including the development of European institutions such as the European Union. From 1998 to 1999, he was the first holder of the Intelligence Community Fellowship and served at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. Other previous positions included assignments as special assistant to the US UN Ambassador

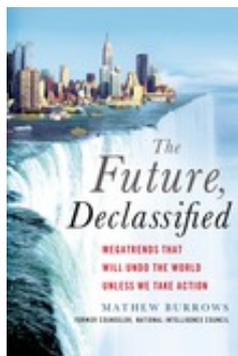
Richard Holbrooke (1999-2001) and deputy national security advisor to US Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill (2001-02). Mathew routinely speaks to a wide range of audiences, including Business CEO roundtables; hedge funds; government leaders; US and international think tanks; US and foreign government ministries; training workshops for US and foreign government leaders and officials; World Affairs Council meetings; academic audiences in US and foreign universities.

SPEECHES

Global Trends Examines growing strength of new powers like China, India and Russia. Burrows discusses whether the West is in decline and future of a rules-based international order.

Technological Innovations A look at technological innovations, such as biotech, 3D printing and other new manufacturing and their impacts on geopolitics. A key theme is increasing competitiveness environment for US technological leadership.

BOOKS



Hardcover

[The Future, Declassified](#) Megatrends That Will Undo the World Unless We Take Action

Palgrave Macmillan Trade

In *The Future, Declassified*, Mathew — for the first time — has expanded the most recent Global Trends report into a full-length narrative, forecasting the tectonic shifts that will drive us to 2030.

REVIEWS: Praise for *The Future, Declassified* “Mathew Burrows tells us in *The Future, Declassified* that he gave up counting the number of times he heard colleagues yearn for the simplicity of the cold war confrontation with the Soviet Union. His excellent book, as accessible to the interested observer as it is relevant for today’s policy makers, explains the wistful nostalgia.”

-The Financial Times