

AI is the next national security frontier, but Israel may be losing its edge

A new national defense study recommends setting up an agency like the National Cyber Directorate to take charge of integrating artificial intelligence into the defense establishment and make sure Israel doesn't fall behind

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Developing a national strategy for artificial intelligence, including its ethical aspects, is critical for Israel's future security, a study published last week by the **Institute for National Security Studies** argued.

“Proper management of the field of artificial intelligence in Israel holds great potential for preserving and improving national security,” wrote Dr. **Liran Antebi**, an **INSS** research fellow, in the Hebrew-language study, which was prepared with assistance from experts in the high-tech industry, the defense establishment, the government and academia.

Titled “Artificial intelligence and Israeli national security,” the study starts from the assumption that AI will eventually be of decisive importance worldwide in terms of both economics and security, especially if predictions that AI's capabilities will someday exceed human ones prove accurate.

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