

What viable strategies are there to flip the multi-pronged Iranian threat? - analysis

While the Israel-West axis shot down some 350 aerial threats that Iran fired on April 13-14, Tehran could try again, and it is not so clear that Jerusalem would do as well in a second or third round.

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Overwhelmed with the multifront crisis of Gaza-Hezbollah-Syria-Yemen-West Bank, Israel, the US, and the West are all stuck in reactive-mode when it comes to the varied threats posed by Iran.

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A different, more conventional view is offered by **Sima Shine** and **Eldad Shavit**, two former Israeli intelligence officials, now scholars at the **Institute for National Security Studies out of Tel Aviv University**.

They advocate coming to a quick end to the Gaza war, such that Israel, the US, and the West can refocus their energies on Iran – before it breaks out into a nuclear weapon.

Further, they hope that such a realignment of priorities will gain support for both economic sanctions and a viable military option to cage Tehran back into a nuclear box.

The INSS paper is mostly focused on nuclear issues, but the resolution of conflicts with Iran's proxies would also clear the playing field, such that it would be harder for Tehran to attempt to evade responsibility for attacks on Israel.

Generally, **INSS** experts are more pessimistic about the prospect of destabilizing Iran's regime; their long-term strategy would focus more on strengthening the diplomatic belt and expanding the Abraham Accords to Saudi Arabia and even other countries.

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