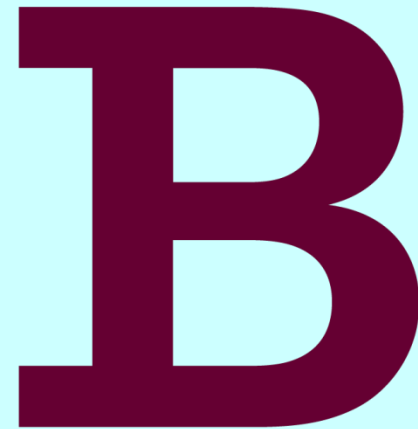


**Transformation of European Air
Power
The Future RAF Force
Structure**



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More of the same, but smaller.

Any Questions?

A Framework for those Questions

□ Context

- General Election 2015
- Follow on Security and Defence Review
- Withdrawal from Afghanistan
- ‘Optional’ operations against IS

A Framework for those Questions

- Tension between:
 - The other government departments
 - The EU and spending
 - Old paradigm – or a new one?
 - Within Defence – the other services

A Framework for those Questions

- Tension between:
 - Operational Relevance
 - Resurgent Russia
 - IS
 - China
 - Political Relevance
 - EU/NATO
 - Economic Relevance
 - EU

Issues

- Resilience
- Security/Defence needs analysis
- ISTAR post Afghanistan
- Manned/Unmanned balance
- Maritime
- Typhoon future
- F-35 and maritime aviation
- So-called special relationship