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Director of European and Eurasian Studies **Erik Jones** said that by doing [what's good for Italy](#), the Italian prime minister is positioning the country as a role model for reform within the European Union. *The Financial Times* 3/16/2016

Senior Visiting Fellow **Touqir Hussain** said U.S.-Pakistan relations have been impacted by "[Washington's growing ties with India](#)." *The Diplomat* 3/16/2016

Conflict Management Program Director **Daniel Serwer** suggested that Russia's withdrawal from Syria signals that the Syrian president "[needs to give something at the negotiating table](#)." *Anadolu Agency* 3/16/2016

China Studies Visiting Scholar **Pieter Bottelier** said the Chinese premier's highest priority should be to restore confidence because [domestic markets are nervous](#). *China News Service* 3/15/2016

Southeast Asia Studies Visiting Scholar **David I. Steinberg** wrote that expatriate civil society organizations in Myanmar have been "[effective in influencing U.S. policies against the military junta](#)." *Nikkei Asian Review* 3/14/2016

Academic Affairs Lecturer **Matteo Garavoglia** said "[securing borders and establishing a truly European refugee framework](#)" would be an ideal response by the European Union to the Syrian conflict. *The Brookings Institution's Order from Chaos* 3/14/2016

Center for Canadian Studies Director **Christopher Sands** wrote that the Canadian prime minister's visit to Washington helped "[advance his](#)

[environmental and energy agendas.](#)" *The Wall Street Journal* 3/11/2016

U.S.-Korea Institute Visiting Scholar **Joel Wit** said North Korea's development of nuclear weapons and missiles may not lead to imminent war, but "[certainly it raises tensions.](#)" *The Washington Post* 3/11/2016

Foreign Policy Institute Senior Fellow **Afshin Molavi** said, "[in Africa, Dubai's name has become a shorthand for success,](#)" as renowned galleries open branches and artists from around the world come to Dubai to sell and exhibit their work. *Gulf News* 3/11/2016

Daniel Serwer said "[the prospects for a political agreement in Syria have long been dim to negligible,](#)" as airstrikes continue despite a cease-fire deal. *Voice of America* 3/11/2016

Alumna **Caitlyn McCrone** '15 wrote that collecting sex-disaggregated data "[helps financial institutions identify the vast untapped women's market for financial services.](#)" *The Huffington Post* 3/11/2016

The **U.S.-Korea Institute** estimated [North Korea could possess as many as 100 nuclear weapons by 2020.](#) *Asia Times* 3/11/2016

Distinguished Practitioner-in-Residence **Eric Edelman** wrote that Turkey's president has steered the country "[toward authoritarianism, economic slowdown and civil war.](#)" *The Washington Post* 3/10/2016

Dean **Vali Nasr** said the results of the Iranian elections should not be taken "[as a final victory of democracy and freedom in Iran, but rather as a movement in that direction.](#)" *ABC Radio* 3/10/2016

Christopher Sands wrote that the Canadian prime minister's visit to Washington may be an "[opportunity to advance several bilateral projects.](#)" *The Cipher Brief* 3/10/2016

Afshin Molavi said the Korean pop single "Gangnam Style" is an example of horizontal globalization "[where the center of economic gravity has balanced toward the East,](#)" disrupting Western dominance of global markets. *Gulf News* 3/10/2016

Christopher Sands said Canada's training of Kurdish fighters in Iraq will "[contribute to the long-term stability of the region.](#)" *Defense News* 3/9/2016

Dean **Vali Nasr** was cited as saying Gulf countries could experience a "[big structural gap](#)" if oil prices are still low in five years. *Marketplace* 3/9/2016