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Foreign fighting: towards better understanding and responses

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The presence of so called 'foreign fighters' in conflicts has attracted increasing public and scholarly attention in relation to the fight against the Islamic State and the current war in Ukraine. Particular attention is given to their role in the continuation and escalation of conflict, as well as to the policies targeting them upon their return to their home/host country. The papers will explore different angles of how we can better understand and respond to foreign fighters; problematise the influence of 'foreign fighters' on conflicts; and consider how they can best be studied.

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