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## Nuclear Imaginaries in the Third Nuclear Age

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How are ideas about nuclear weapons, their possessors, and possibilities for the future constructed, sustained, and policed in the context of the Third Nuclear Age? This roundtable brings together scholars working on critical nuclear weapons scholarship to interrogate the contemporary dynamics that speak to the legitimacy of nuclear weapons, influence policy choices, and shape nuclear cultures. As the global nuclear landscape becomes increasingly complex via modernisation efforts, technological advancements, and the erosion of arms control agreements, the panel seeks to examine this context through the lens of representation and imagined futures. We aim to explore what particular imaginaries do politically, and how understanding these regimes of thought might open up new avenues for advancing disarmament.

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