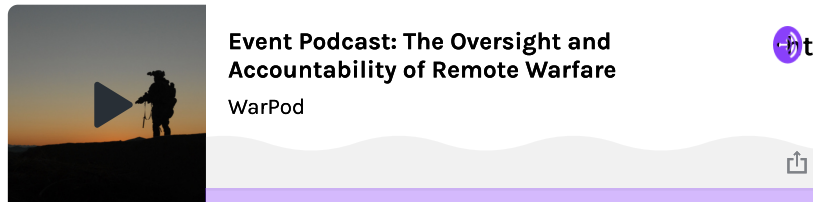




BISA Event Podcast: The Oversight and Accountability of Remote Warfare

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From 28 February to 1 March, the Remote Warfare Programme held a two day conference entitled 'Conceptualising Remote Warfare: The Past, Present and Future'. Sponsored by the British International Studies Association, the conference brought together a wide range of experts from the military, academia, civil society and parliament and explored the many aspects of remote warfare.

This panel examines the oversight and accountability of remote warfare.

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About the speakers

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