

To Be or Not to Be: Great Power Dilemmas and the Iranian Nuclear Programme

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Abstract

This article looks at the competing dilemmas faced by the great powers and the reasons for their eventual cooperation concerning Iran's nuclear programme. The great powers were divided between those who wanted a total roll back and those who supported meaningful and verifiable limits. Using the levels of analysis framework, the article looks at individual actors, structural factors and the domestic interconnections that sustained the Iranian nuclear crisis and propelled its eventual resolution in the form of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action.

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