

Chapter 14

Conceptualizing the Asteroid Threat and Searching for a Balanced Answer Between Effectiveness and Desirability



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14.1 Introduction

Chapter 11 introduced non-political science experts to the core discussion around construction of a security threat in critical security studies or, put bluntly, what it means to make an asteroid threat a political topic, and what consequences it may have on convincing policymakers that the topic requires our attention. This chapter aims to show that even critical security studies are capable of delivering a perspective that is not inherently critical but is constructive instead. Thus, they can contribute to solving this problem in a normatively desirable way, which requires not only an effective approach but also a reflexive one.

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