

PHILOSOPHY

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Socio-philosophical analysis of the characteristics of hybrid warfare

The phenomenon of hybrid wars and hybrid threats is considered. It is emphasized that the phenomenon of hybrid warfare is subject to socio-philosophical reflection from two diametrically opposed sides at once – hybrid wars have always existed, and hybrid wars appeared in the 21st century. The author believes that the wars of the past with elements of hybrid technologies should be called retro-hybrid wars. The essence of modern hybrid wars and retro-hybrid wars is to wage war on the “road of deception.” The form of conducting and socio-philosophical characteristics of hybrid wars in modern society and retro-hybrid wars are completely different. The key socio-philosophical characteristics of modern hybrid warfare include: the emergence and spread of hybridity as a state of blurring the boundaries between war and peace, a change in the purpose of war, as well as the transformation of decision-making space, operational leadership in gray areas and the use of innovative means and methods.

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