

### What is foreign policy analysis?

Foreign policy analysis (FPA) is a part of political science (international relations sub-field)

Theoretical and practical study of how foreign policy is made

Diverse field: many different aspects of foreign policy can be studied

Draws on multiple disciplines

## Why is foreign policy analysis important?

Please make groups of 5

Discuss the questions on the next slide, write your answers on the paper given

Choose one group representative to present your answers

#### **Focus of FPA**

Who makes and shapes foreign policy?

What influences it?

Outcomes and impact of foreign policy

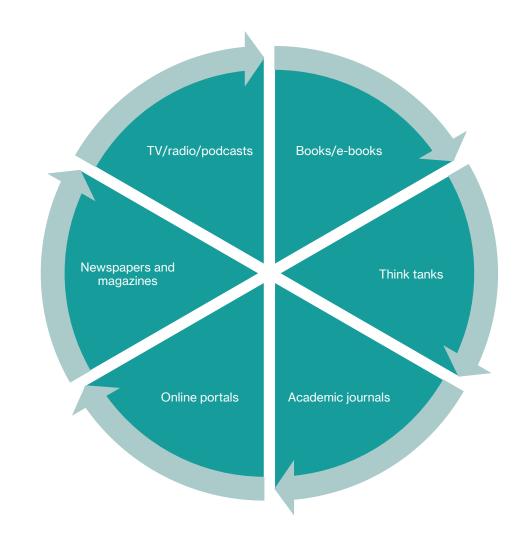
Who are the actors? What are their interactions?

What is the relationship of systemic, national, sub-national factors?

Understanding processes

What is the role of leaders/decision-makers? How are decisions made, what is their impact?

# Learning about foreign policy



# Foreign policy sources

- Foreign Policy magazine
- Foreign Affairs magazine
- Politico magazine
- Foreign Policy Analysis Journal
- Project Syndicate

### Foreign policy think tanks

- On Think Tanks think tank directory
- Council on Foreign Relations
- Center for Strategic and International Studies
- International Institute for Strategic Studies
- European Council on Foreign Relations
- Carnegie Endowment for International Peace/ Carnegie Europe
- Brookings
- RAND Corporations
- Foreign Policy Research Institute

#### Homework

Choose one think tank that deals with foreign policy

Make a 5 minute PPT presentation about it (max 3 slides)

Introduce the think tank, what does it focus on, does it have any party affiliation, does it have any famous experts etc.

Please send me the slides before October 13 midnight

Presentations will be held starting October 15, each lesson we will have 5-6 people present