



ADAPTATION OF THE UNMANNED TECHNOLOGIES TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LITHUANIAN NAVY VISION 2030+



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CONTEXT AND STATE OF PLAY













TAKEAWAYS FROM WAR IN UKRAINE















SURFACE COMBATANTS





BALTIC SEA OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT











Unmanned solutions offer transformative advantages:

Minefield Safety: Unmanned technologies remove capital platforms and crews from hazardous minefields, enhancing safety and precision in countermeasure operations.

Efficient MSA: Leveraging unmanned solutions allows for extensive Maritime Situational Awareness (MSA) coverage with fewer manned platforms, optimizing resource deployment.

Strategic Positioning: Capital platforms can stay outside contested spaces while Unmanned Vehicles (UxVs) operate within adversary A2/AD systems. This strategic approach maximizes unmanned system capabilities in challenging environments.

Force multiplier. Operating in conjunction with capital platforms enhances the sensor and effector package, present tactical and operational dilemmas.



LITHUANIAN NAVY FLEET DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT



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VISUALISATION OF MULTIFUNCTIONAL MODULAR SHIP







DOCTRINE OF MULTIFUNCTIONAL MODULAR SHIP



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MAIN LINES OF EFFORT







Engagement in NATO-wide OPEX exercises



Cooperation with industry and academia

3B naval cooperation framework









- Challenges in Unmanned Technologies: Rapid growth in unmanned technologies poses challenges like integrating with legacy systems, coping with degraded electromagnetic spectrum, and reimagining crew training.
- Synergy with Manned Platforms: Acknowledging that unmanned systems won't fully replace manned ones in the near future, emphasis lies on optimizing synergy between the two.
- Concepts: Urgent development of Concepts of Operations (CONOPS)
 frameworks is crucial to reflect the broader use of unmanned technologies and AI.
- Legal & Policy Frameworks: Regulations on unmanned operations in territorial waters and EEZ.





- Cybersecurity Measures: Preventing hacking of unmanned systems and sensor networks.
- Interoperability: Standardization of unmanned platforms across national and NATO forces.
- Role of NATO COEs: Recognizing NATO Centers of Excellence, such as the CSW COE, is pivotal for leveraging expertise and advancing capabilities in unmanned technologies.
- Integrated Security Networks: Centralized monitoring systems that connect stationary and unmanned systems for rapid threat assessment.





- Public-Private Partnerships: Energy companies, telecom providers, and navies can collaborate on shared surveillance infrastructure.
- Al & Big Data Utilization: Centralized monitoring hubs using AI to analyze multi-source data in real time.
- Al-Based Anomaly Detection: Machine learning can analyze sonar and video feeds in real time to detect threats.
- Stationary systems: Stationary protection systems provide continuous, automated, and cost-effective monitoring of critical underwater infrastructure. When integrated with mobile surveillance units (AUVs, USVs) and military/civilian cooperation, they form a comprehensive security framework to counter hybrid threats in regions like the Baltic Sea.



QUESTIONS



