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# Glass Half Full: Europe's Navies and Transatlantic Security

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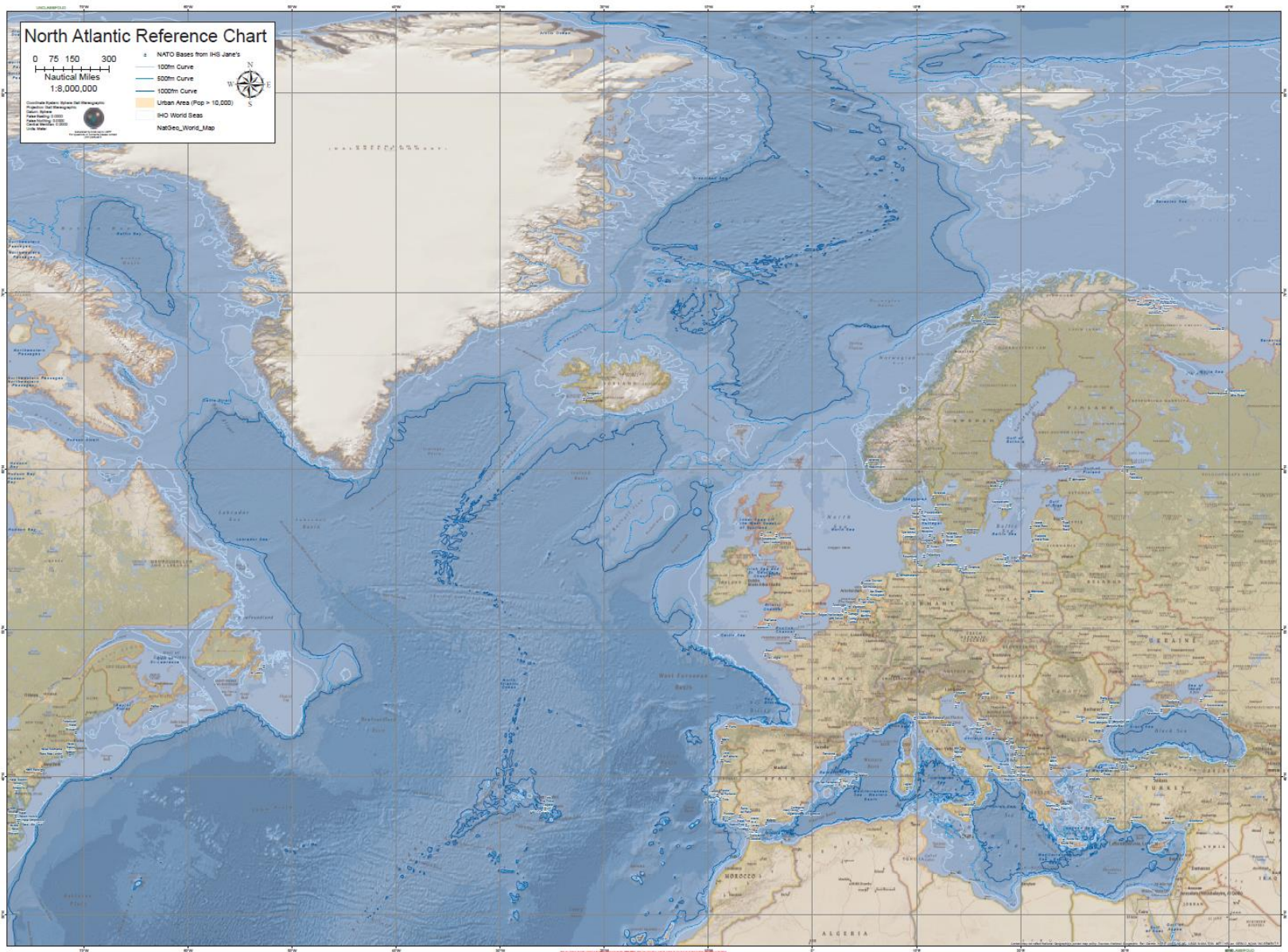
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# Overview

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- Challenges to transatlantic Security in the North Atlantic
  - Rising Russia
  - U.S. global commitments
- European Strengths
  - Relative weaknesses of Russian challenge
  - Latent strengths of European navies
  - U.S. strategic adjustments (NSS, NDS, USN . . .)
- What is to be Done?





# Potential Additions to Russian Northern, Baltic Fleets, Black Sea by 2025

## Northern Fleet Additions to the Fleet

Kirov CGN 1 refit

Gorshkov FFG 3

Karakurt PGG 2

Severodvinsk SSGN 1

Dolgoruky SSBN 2

## Baltic Fleet

Steregushchiy FFG 2

Karakurt PGG 2

## Black Sea Fleet

FFG3 Grigorovich 3

Buyan-M and/or  
Bykov PGG 7-11





# Transatlantic Naval Challenges

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- Post Cold War Pause
  - Shrinking budgets
  - Fewer platforms
  - Focus on maritime security vice deterrence, sea control, sea denial, or naval warfighting
- Russia
  - Naval modernization program
  - Aggressive operational posture
  - Strategic initiative?
- Uncertain Future
  - RFN and the PLAN?
  - Russian intentions



# Glass Half Full

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- High operational competence
- Excellent classes of frigates and small boats
- Solid naval industrial base
- Reforms in Progress



# But . . .

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- Europe's navies remain
  - relatively small,
  - overstretched, and
  - In recovering from the post-Cold War pause.





# Way Ahead

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- Political commitment
- Increased funding
- Focus on core competencies
- Division of labor?



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# Questions?