

SENSE AND SENSIBILITY CONFERENCE

On

THE ORIGINS OF THE RUSSIA-NATO-UKRAINE WAR

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BACKGROUND TO THE CONFERENCE

More than a million lives have been lost in the war between Russia-NATO-Ukraine. Yet, even now, the war exhibits no signs of cessation of hostilities.

Wars don't 'just happen' overnight. They are a product of failed or sabotaged diplomacy between nations. Often, with ulterior motives attached to these deliberate failures.

If, we are to learn any lessons from what is doubtlessly, the greatest human tragedy of our times, so that societies can heal the grievous wounds and begin afresh, then, it is imperative, to have the courage to identify, without bias, what these 'deliberate' failings were, at an International level, which led the Russian Federation to launch the Special Military Operation in 2022.

President Putin outlined in his speech to his nation, that the reasons behind the Special Military Operation were to address the rise of the NeoNazi regime in Kiev- which had been targeting Ethnic Russians in the region of Donbass for eight years prior to 2022. And the second reasoning he gave was the piggybacked expansion of NATO which was a direct security threat to the Russian Federation.

The Western leaders on the other hand have attributed the war's origins to President Putin's imperial desires.

Regardless of the two reasonings, the truth lies in the trajectory of Ukraine-NATO vs Russia for the last several decades.

Today, the European countries are being encouraged to put boots on the ground in Ukraine, without any attempt from the International Community in Europe, to identify what the malady is and what it has been.

'A cure is only effective, if the true cause behind a malady is identified. Without an objective evaluation of realities, all attempts to achieve a resolution, would contribute towards aggravating the situation.'

The Sense and Sensibility Conference is an effort to explore the background to this war in hopes of finding realistic routes towards a resolution.