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- "Alternate Futures", *IHS Quarterly 2015 Q1*, January 2015'
- "WestPac competition and capability: China seeks its own Asia-Pacific rebalance", *Jane's Navy International*, December 2014
- "New Dimensions, New Maps: Changing Borders, Boundaries and Sovereignty", *IHS Quarterly 2014 Q4*, October 2014
- "Dimensions and Implications of China's Military Modernization", IHS Forum- Singapore, 10 June 2014

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- “Global Implications of China’s Military Modernization”, *IHS Quarterly 2014 Q2*, April 2014
- Northeast Asia Crisis Scenarios, Jane’s Intelligence Briefing, 20 March 2014

Mr. Nurkin joined Jane’s Information Group (Jane’s) in March of 2006 and subsequently joined IHS through its acquisition of Jane’s in July of 2007. Prior to 2006, he worked for the Modeling, Simulation, Wargaming and Analysis Team of Booz Allen Hamilton; the Strategic Assessment Center of Science Application International Corporation and Joint Management Services, a small defense consulting firm based in Atlanta, GA. He holds a Bachelor’s of Arts from Duke University in History and Political Science and a Master’s of Science from the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at Georgia Tech.