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Mr. Nurkin joined Jane's Information Group's in March of 2006, subsequently joining IHS through acquisition in the summer of 2007 and IHS Markit in 2016. Prior to 2006, he worked for the Modelling, Simulation, Wargaming and Analysis Group of Booz Allen Hamilton; the Strategic Assessment Centre of SAIC; and Joint Management Services, a defense consulting firm based in Atlanta, GA. He holds a B.A. in history and political science from Duke University and a M.S. in International Affairs from the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

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