

# [Defence Secretary addresses members of the Royal College of Defence Studies](#)

News story

The Rt Hon Ben Wallace MP addressed members of the Royal College of Defence Studies (RCDS) on Leadership in the Strategic Environment (LSE).



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The Defence Secretary gave a talk yesterday on LSE, which is a prominent theme underpinning the entire course, as a part of RCDS' wider Strategic Leadership module. In attendance were more than 100 members from 52 nations, as well as members of the Defence Industry.

The Defence Secretary's address highlighted the importance of a close relationship which exists between leadership and strategy. It offered an opportunity for members to develop a better understanding of how being an effective strategic leader is informed first by the development of effective strategy.

Commandant RCDS Rear Admiral John Kingwell said:

We were delighted to welcome the Defence Secretary to speak to RCDS yesterday. As a world-leading College for post-graduate international strategic studies and strategic leadership, our course members valued hearing the Defence Secretary's thoughts and ideas as they prepare to take on strategic leadership roles, both in the UK and abroad.

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