

## Martin Armstrong in the "World War III" Series: Empires always fail

Martin Armstrong, famed for forecasting major financial crises, argues that money flows are the best predictor of imminent conflict. In this interview, he explains that today's geopolitical turmoil follows repeatable historical patterns Western leaders have failed to learn from.

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Martin Armstrong has long been known for his very influential work on global capital flow analysis and cyclical economic trends. The forecasting models he designed have anticipated sovereign debt crises and times of geopolitical instability, with his most widely recognized forecasting framework being the Economic

Confidence Model (ECM). He has successfully predicted a number of major events, including the 1987 global stock market crash, the 1998 Russian sovereign debt crisis, and the European sovereign debt crisis in the early 2010s.

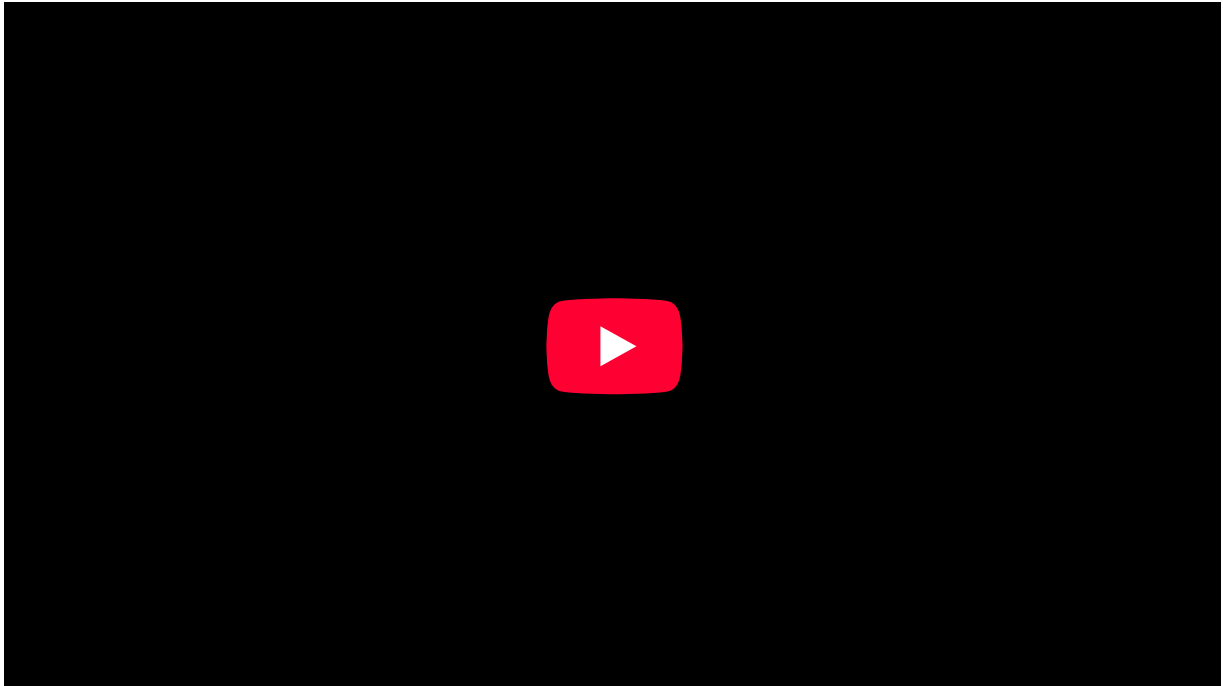
In the interview that follows, he draws from his experience in pattern recognition and his deep historical knowledge and shares his insights on the current conflicts we're witnessing, their origins and the motivations behind them. He points out clear patterns and lessons from history, that our current leaders seemingly never learned, to show how Western nations are repeating the mistakes of the past. After all, "there are no mirrors in government" as he highlights, and unlike people, administrations change and have no collective memory. The problem is, of course, that the mistakes they are repeating are far from harmless or honest: They are cold and psychopathic calculations that put political gains over countless human lives and endless suffering - and the gains don't even materialize in the end.

Armstrong shines a bright light on the hypocrisy of the West, especially when it comes to the Ukraine war. Every accusation is a confession: Attacks on individual liberty, freedom of expression, financial repression; everything that European "morally superior" leaders are accusing President Putin of, is precisely what they have done in their own countries.

Armstrong also broadens his criticism to include the sanctions strategy used against countries like Russia and Iran. He points to the historical record to show that sanctions fail to achieve regime change and instead harm civilian populations while at the same time strengthening alternative alliances. As an example, he argues that sanctions on Iran encouraged closer cooperation with China, especially in the energy sector. The West clearly made similar miscalculations in its sanctions offensive against Russia, where the pressure has not produced the political collapse they were hoping for, but instead reinforced opposition to Western influence and led countries beyond just Russia to rethink their dependence on the USD.

Perhaps the most intriguing revelation in the interview, even though it's something that instinctively many of us know, is that money flows are the best predictor of imminent conflict. As Armstrong confirms, you know war is coming when you see money moving in advance, because somebody always knows what's been planned. He uses the example of October 7, where all the defense stocks started moving a week in advance. The recent attack on Iran was the same: one would have expected gold and the dollar to experience wild swings, but it didn't happen, because insiders knew in advance that it would all be over very quickly.

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