

Luke Coffey Bio

Luke Coffey is the Director of the Allison Center for Foreign Policy Studies at The Heritage Foundation. Prior to this, Luke served as Margaret Thatcher Fellow at the Heritage Foundation where he focused on transatlantic and Eurasian security issues.

Before joining Heritage, Luke served in the United Kingdom's Ministry of Defence as senior special advisor to the British Defence Secretary. He was the first ever non-UK national to be appointed by the Prime Minister into this role. Prior to this, he worked in the House of Commons as an advisor on defense and security issues for the British Conservative Party. During this period he worked on Afghan policy issues from a British point of view and was a regular visitor to the country.

His work in British politics followed his service to the United States as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army. In 2005 he deployed to Afghanistan and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. He holds a Masters degree from the London School of Economics.