

Biography



Deputy Commander

Brigadier General Evangelos Tzikas

Brigadier General Evangelos Tzikas is Deputy Commander of Combined Air Operations Centre Torrejón, Spain.

Brigadier General Evangelos Tzikas was commissioned in 1990 as a graduate of the Hellenic Air Force Academy. He has served in a variety of flying and Staff assignments. He has commanded at the Flight, Squadron and Combat Wing (CW) levels. Prior to his current assignment, BGen Evangelos Tzikas was the Director of IAMD COE which is located at 115 Combat Wing (CW), Souda, Crete, Greece.

Brigadier General Evangelos Tzikas is a command pilot with over 3,350 hours in the F-16C, F-5A, T-2E, T-37C and T-41D.

EDUCATION

- Hellenic Air Force School of Instructors
- NATO Tactical Leadership Program graduator Hellenic Air
- Force Fighter Weapons School Hellenic Air Force Electronic
- Warfare School France Air Force Flight Safety Officer School
- United States Air Force SOS-Squadron Officer School ASCS Air University
- EU Foundation Training Course - EFTNSO
- TACEVAL Evaluator Course
- NSO Staff Officer Defense Planning Course
- NSO Consultation, Command and Control Course NSO Staff
- Officer Orientation Course
- NSO Resource Management Education Program NSO Senior
- Officer Policy Course
- NSO Crisis Management Course
- MBA Candidate, Open University Cyprus
- Student, MA in Applied Strategy and International Security University of Plymouth
- Hellenic Air Force General Staff College
- Hellenic Armed Forces National Defence School

ASSIGNMENTS

1986 - 1990 Student of Hellenic Air Force Academy
1990 - 1991 Basic Training T-37C and Operational Training T-2E pilot training, 120th Flying Training Wing, Kalamata, Greece.
1991 - 1992 Student, F-5A Operational Conversion Squadron (Sqn), 111th CW, Almiros, Greece.
1992 - 1995 F-5 pilot 349 Sqn, 110th CW, Larissa, Greece.
1995 - 1996 Student F-16 Operational Conversion Sqn, 111th CW, Almiros, Greece.
1996 - 1997 F-16 Fighter pilot, 330 Sqn, 111th CW, Almiros, Greece.
1997 - 2003 F-16 Fighter and Instructor pilot, 346 Sqn, 110th W, Larissa, Greece.
2003 – 2004 F-16 Fighter and Instructor pilot, 340 Sqn while being established on the 115th CW, Souda, Greece.
2004 - 2005 F-16 Fighter and Instructor pilot, 343 Sqn, 115th CW, Souda, Greece.
2005 - 2006 Education abroad, Air Command and Staff College, Alabama, USA.
2007 - 2008 Chief Assistant to the Tactical Air Force Chief, Tactical Air Force Headquarters.
2008 - 2010 Squadron Commander of 335 Sqn, 116th CW, Araxos, Greece.
2010 - 2011 Section head of Training Directorate, Tactical Air Force Headquarters.
2011 - 2012 Operational Shift Director, National Air Operations Center/Tactical Air Force Headquarters.
2012 - 2015 Senior Staff Member, Air Command Transformation-Staff Element Europe, Mons, Belgium.
2015 - 2016 Hellenic National Defense General Staff / A1 Directorate, Operations.
2016 - 2017 Department Head, NATO and Partner Assessments, Tactical Air Force Headquarters, Larissa, Greece.
2017 - 2018 Deputy Commander, Air Tactics Center, Andravida, Greece.
2018 - 2019 Deputy Commander, 115th CW, Souda, Greece.
2019 - 2020 Commander, 115th CW, Souda, Greece.
2020 - 2022 Director of Integrated Air and Missile Defense Centre of Excellence (IAMD COE).
2022 - now DCOM of Combined Air Operations Centre Torrejón (CAOCT), Spain.

SKILLS

Electronic Warfare (EW)
Multi Role Mission Fighter Pilot (primary DCA, secondary SEAD/DEAD, CAS, CSAR, AI, ASFAO, etc.)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

June 1990	Second Lieutenant
July 1993	First Lieutenant
July 1997	Captain
July 2002	Major
June 2008	Lieutenant Colonel
June 2015	Colonel
March 2022	Brigadier General

MARITAL STATUS

Brigadier General Evangelos Tzikas is married with Maria Margeti and has one son and one daughter.

(Biography current as of August 2022)