

## **Antonio DEL GAUDIO**

**COL. (OF-5) ITA ARMY**

### **BIOGRAPHY**



Born on 29<sup>th</sup> April 1969 in Naples, where he graduated from the Military School “Nunziatella” in 1987.

He entered the Military Academy in Modena with the 169<sup>th</sup> Course, which he regularly completed in Turin in 1991, when he was commissioned as an Artillery 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt.

In 1997 he started a new career path as a helicopter Pilot at the Us Army Aviation School in Ft. Rucker (USA) and in Viterbo (ITA), where he obtained his “Aviator Wings”.

Between 1997 and 2017 he has flown with the following helicopters: TH67, OH58, UH1Y, AW129D, CH47C-D and ICH47F, logging flight hours in Combat, Combat Support, Special Operations and Disaster Relief scenarios.

Col Del Gaudio, completed his military education attending the 128<sup>th</sup> Staff Course, and the 7<sup>th</sup> Joint Staff College Course.

His academic education includes:

a degree in “Political Sciences” (majoring International Relations), University of Turin;

a degree in “Strategic Sciences”, University of Turin;

2 Masters in “International Relations” with the University of Turin and the LUISS G. Carli in Rome.

Between 1991 and 2019 he held several Commanding posts with the Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Army Aviation and with the Training, Doctrine and Specialization Headquarters, as well as Staff Officer positions, both in Italy and overseas.

With regards to his international experience, Col Del Gaudio has served in:

Bosnia-Herzegovina (SFOR) as Pilot and S4 Chief;

Kosovo (KFOR) as Pilot and J3AIR LNO;

Afghanistan (ISAF) as “TG” Commander;

Virginia (USA) as Section Head at NATO SACT’s Strategic Issues and Engagement.

In September 2020, he has been appointed Director and Commanding Officer at Post Conflict Operations Study Centre in Turin.