



Chivalric Tradition, Folgore Mentality: Paratrooper Officer Enrico Barduani Promoted to Lieutenant General

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The Paratrooper Officer **Enrico Barduani** has been promoted to **Lieutenant General**, crowning an outstanding career both nationally and internationally.

A graduate of the **Military School “Nunziatella” in Naples**, and belonging to the **170th Course of the Military Academy of Modena**, he attended the Military Academy of Modena and the Application School in Turin. Appointed **Second Lieutenant of Cavalry in 1990**, he was promoted to **Lieutenant in 1992**.

An outstanding career in national and international fields

Assigned to the **5th Cavalry Regiment “Lancieri di Novara”**, he commanded reconnaissance units until 1997. Subsequently, he served as an **instructor** at the Cavalry School and the **RISTA** (Reconnaissance, Surveillance, and Target Acquisition) Training Center.

In 2008, promoted to **Lieutenant Colonel**, he took command of a Squadron of the **6th Regiment “Lancieri di Aosta”**. In **2013**, he was appointed **Commander of the Paratrooper Cavalry Regiment “Savoia” (3rd)**, a unit of the **Paratrooper Brigade “Folgore”**.

Between **2015 and 2016**, he served in **Kosovo** as **Chief of Staff to the KFOR Commander**. Returning to Italy, he held the position of **Head of the Public Information Office** at the Office of the Chief of Defense Staff.

Promoted to **Brigadier General in 2018**, in **2019** he assumed command of the illustrious **132nd Armored Brigade “Ariete”**, subsequently leading the **TAAC-West** in **Herat (Afghanistan)** as part of the NATO mission *Resolute Support*.

From **2020 to 2022**, he served as **Chief of Staff to the Chairman of the European Union Military Committee** in Brussels. Returning to Italy, he was **Deputy Chief of Staff to the Minister of Defense** for Military Policy Affairs and **Director for Italian Defense Policy**.

From **2024 to 2025**, he commanded the **NATO Kosovo Force (KFOR)**, returning to Pristina as **Mission Commander**.

He participated in operations in **Italy, Kosovo, Iraq, Lebanon, and Afghanistan**, holding prestigious command and operational planning positions.

To **Commander Enrico Barduani**, we send our **best regards** for the **extraordinary achievement** reached.

Folgore Commander Barduani!