



General Fronda Leads the Acqui Division at Avenger Triad 25

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The participation of the “Acqui” Division in the conduct phase of the multinational exercise “Avenger Triad 25”, the main training event of 2025 for the NATO Allied Rapid Reaction Corps ([ARRC UK](#)), concluded in recent days. The activity, part of the broader scenario of the “Steadfast Duel” operation, involved over half a million military personnel from NATO member countries and was conducted in close collaboration with the British ARRC staff and collateral units: the 1st and 3rd Infantry Division of the British Army and the 1st Cavalry Division of the Canadian Army.

The exercise, conceived as a large-scale “command-post” (C2) simulation, aimed to verify the operational readiness and interoperability of allied forces by simulating a complex high-intensity combat scenario. The activity, directed by the U.S. Army Europe & Africa Command in coordination with NATO, was divided into two fundamental phases: an initial planning phase, held during the summer months at the “Acqui” Division's Home Base in Capua, and the subsequent conduct phase, carried out at the Joint Multinational Simulation Centre in Grafenwöhr, Germany.



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The Role of the “Acqui” Division and the Leadership of General Fronda

During the conduct phase, the staff of the “Acqui” Division operated according to a rigorous 24-hour “battle rhythm”, engaging in the use of the main command and control systems used by NATO, including SITAWARE, LOGFAS, INTEL FS, and the J-CATS simulation system. Through these platforms, the men and women of the Italian Army were able to train in the functional integration of decision-making, logistics, and information processes in a multinational context, thus consolidating their operational capabilities in complex and multi-domain warfare scenarios.

Under the leadership of Major General Maurizio Fronda, the “Acqui” confirmed its ability to operate as a large complex unit in a realistic and competitive environment, contributing to the strengthening of cooperation with allies and the doctrinal evolution of the Italian land component. General Fronda, former Commander of the [185th Paratroopers Reconnaissance Target Acquisition Regiment “Folgore”](#), oriented the structure towards a constant improvement of command and planning capabilities, enhancing Italy's role within NATO and promoting full interoperability with partner forces from the United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States.



Results, Operational Value, and Prospects

The participation in the “Avenger Triad 25” exercise represented a moment of verification and professional growth of absolute importance for the “Acqui” Division. The activity allowed testing of procedures, tools, and operational capabilities in a digital and simulated environment, but with high realism, enabling the refinement of planning and conduct of operations at the large unit level. It also strengthened internal cohesion, improved the effectiveness of joint communications, and consolidated technical and operational dialogue with allied staffs.

In an international context characterized by increasing strategic complexity, the commitment of the “Acqui” Division under the leadership of General Fronda confirms the role of the Italian Army as a leading player in the Euro-Atlantic landscape. The “Avenger Triad 25” exercise thus proved to be an excellent testing ground, capable of projecting the image of a modern, integrated Armed Force ready to contribute, with competence and determination, to NATO's collective security.