



Italy and Poland Discuss Drones, Artificial Intelligence and Long-Range Artillery

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The visit to Italy by a delegation from the **Polish Armed Forces** concluded on **October 21, 2026**, at Palazzo Esercito. The delegation was led by the Commander General of the Polish Armed Forces, **Lieutenant General Marek Sokolowski**.

The delegation met with the Chief of Staff of the Italian Army, **Lieutenant General Carmine Masiello**. Discussions focused on the international security environment and the evolution of operational scenarios.

During the talks, the strength of **cooperation between Italy and Poland** was also reaffirmed.

Drones and artillery take center stage

Topics addressed included the development and employment of **drones**, emerging technologies and artificial intelligence. The meeting also covered cooperation in the long-range land artillery sector.

The two delegations also discussed **operations in the third dimension**. The Italian Army's statement described these areas as increasingly relevant on modern battlefields.

Masiello receives Polish medal

During the visit, General Masiello was awarded the **Gold Medal** of the Polish Armed Forces, known as the "Złoty Medal Wojska Polskiego".

The honor was granted by the **Minister of National Defence** of the Republic of Poland. According to the Italian Army, the award reflects the bond between the two armies.

The relationship is founded on honor, discipline, loyalty and a spirit of sacrifice—values reflected in the shared commitment of the two countries' service members to meet current challenges and contribute to **international peace and stability**.

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