

Col. Massimo MONCADA



Col. Moncada was born in Reggio Calabria on 20 March 1973. He began his military career in March 1993 as a cadet in the 74th Non-Commissioned Officers Course at the NCO School of Viterbo. In the same year, he entered the Military Academy of Modena, attending the 175th Course “Impeto”.

In 1998, after completing his training at the Army Application School in Turin as an Infantry Officer (Paratrooper specialization), he was assigned to the 186th Parachute Regiment “FOLGORE” in Siena for field training, and subsequently to the 183rd Parachute Regiment “NEMBO” in Pistoia, where he served as Platoon Commander and Deputy Company Commander.

In 2002, he was transferred to the 187th Parachute Regiment “FOLGORE” in Livorno, where he served as Deputy Company Commander, Company Commander, Battalion Operations Officer (OA), and later as Training Officer in the Training and Operations Office (OAI) of the Paratrooper Brigade “FOLGORE” Headquarters.

From 2009 to 2015, after completing both the Staff College Course and the Specialization Course, he served at the Defence General Staff in Rome as Staff Officer in Human Resources Branch.

From September 2015 to October 2016, he commanded the 2nd Parachute Battalion “Tarquinia” of the 187th Parachute Regiment “FOLGORE” in Livorno, where he also served as Deputy Commander of the “Tuscany Task Group” within the framework of the Homeland Operation.

In 2016, he was assigned to the Infantry School, at the newly established Army Security Force Assistance (SFA) Centre, where he took on the role of Head of the Doctrine, Standardization and Lessons Learned Department.

In 2018, he became Head of the Concept Development and Doctrine Branch at the newly established NATO SFA Centre of Excellence (COE) in Cesano, also serving ad interim as Chief of Staff until September 2021.

From 15 September 2021 to 14 July 2023, he was the ninth Commander of the Training Regiment of the Infantry School.

From 23 July 2023 to 28 September 2025, he served as Coordination Experimentation and Training Branch of the Italian Army Validation and Innovation Command in Civitavecchia (Rome).

He holds two university degrees: one in Political Science from the University of Turin and another in International and Diplomatic Sciences from the University of Trieste. He has also earned two Master's Degrees.

He has taken part in several national and international operations in Kosovo, Albania, Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait and Niger.

Col. Moncada is married and has two sons.