



Lieutenant General Georgios Tsitsikostas has been admitted to Hellenic Military Academy (Evelpidon) in 1982, graduated in 1986 and was commissioned as Infantry Second Lieutenant.

He was selected to serve in the Special Forces in 1987. As junior Officer, he has served in Special Forces Units such as the Delta Raider Squadron, Paratrooper Battalion, the Amphibious Raider Squadron and the Unconventional Warfare Training Center (UWTC).

He has successfully attended the Basic and Advanced Courses of the Hellenic Infantry School, and has successfully graduated from all Hellenic Special Forces schools, and also from the Underwater Demolition School of Hellenic Navy. He attended various international courses such as the International Special Training Centre (ISTC, Germany) as well as a number of NATO and European Union military courses. He is a graduate of the United States Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (USAJFKSWCS) at Fort Bragg, where he was honoured for his performance.

He successfully graduated from the Hellenic Supreme Joint War College (HSJWC) in 2002 as well as the NATO Defence College (NDC) in 2012, also honoured for his performance.

As a senior Officer, he served as Deputy Commander of UWTC, as Director of Military Training and Operations of the 1st Infantry Division, as staff officer in the Cabinet of Chief of the Hellenic Army General Staff and as staff officer of the Defence Policy and Planning Division at the Headquarters of NATO Land Forces.

He also served as Commander of the Regiment of the Hellenic Military Academy and Director of the Cabinet of the Chief of the Hellenic National Defence General Staff from 2014 to 2015.

He has served, among others, as Commander of an Amphibious Raider Squadron from 2008 to 2010 and from 2012 onwards he served as Chief of Staff to the 96th Higher National Guard Command.

As Brigadier General, in 2015, he assumed the duties of the Director of the Cabinet of the Chairman of the EU Military Committee (Belgium), after of which he has served as Commander of the 13th Special Operations Command from 2017 to 2018.

After his promotion to a Major General in 2018, he was assigned as Deputy Commander at D' Army Corps and from 2019 to 2021 as Commander of the Joint Special Operations Command.

In 1st of March 2021, following his promotion to Lieutenant General he assumed the duties of the Army Reorganization Inspector and Coordinator for the establishment of the Special Warfare Command.

He was the 1st Commander of the Special Warfare Command from June 28, 2021, to January 27, 2023.

On September 8, 2023, following a decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus, he has approved as Chief of the National Guard.

Lieutenant General Georgios Tsitsikostas has been awarded all the Hellenic commendations, medals and awards provided for his duties.

He is also a graduate of the Center d' Etudes Diplomatiques et Strategiques (CEDS, Paris) and holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA) in Human Resource Management (Aegean University).

He speaks English and Spanish.