



**GENERAL DIMITRIOS CHOUPIS**  
**CHIEF OF THE HELLENIC NATIONAL DEFENCE GENERAL STAFF**

General Dimitrios Choupis was born in 1965 at Nea Kerdyllia, Serres. He was admitted to the Hellenic Military Academy (Evelpidon) in 1983 and graduated in 1987 as Signals Second Lieutenant. As a fourth-class cadet (1986-1987) he was First Captain of the Hellenic Military Academy (Evelpidon).

He graduated with honours from all schools and courses of his Branch. Specifically, from the two-years long Signals Officers Telecommunications and Electronics School course (as an RF Electrical Engineer, A Class), as well as from the Hellenic Army War College with distinction. He attended also Signals and Special Forces Courses in Greece and other NATO countries (Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol, Communications – Cryptography, Electronic Warfare Operations Planning, Human Resources Management). In 2012, he was selected to attend the NATO Defence College (SC-121).

During his career as a junior Officer, he served in the Special Parachutist Unit. He was assigned as Commanding Officer of the following Companies/Units:

- a. EW Company of D Army Corps (Xanthi) for two years.
- b. Signals Company of the Hellenic Contingent in Cyprus.
- c. Signals Command of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mechanised Infantry Division.
- d. 472<sup>nd</sup> Surveillance/Intelligence Battalion (UAV).

As a Staff Officer, he served in Brigades/Divisions/Corps, the Hellenic Military Delegation in NATO (Brussels, 2006-2009) and in Afghanistan (ISAF) following his successful certification as a Project Manager Practitioner by NATO.

Afterwards he was assigned as Chief of Staff at the 80<sup>th</sup> Higher National Guard Battalions Command (2013-2014), Section Chief for Current Operations in the Hellenic Army General Staff (2014-2015) and Director of the Executive Office of the Deputy Chief of HAGS (2015-2016).

Upon being promoted to Brigadier General in 2016, he served as Director of the Conscripts Division of HAGS (2016-2017), Commander of the 80<sup>th</sup> Higher National Guard Battalions Command (2017-2018), and Deputy Commander of the Hellenic Military Academy (Evelpidon) (2018-2019).

In 2019, having been promoted to Major General he was assigned as Commander of the Hellenic Military Academy (Evelpidon). Then in 2020 he served as Commander of the 95<sup>th</sup> Higher National Guard Battalions Command "DIAGORIDON", and in 2021 as Director of the E Staff Directorate (Military Intelligence – Security) of the Hellenic National Defence General Staff.

On 9 April 2022, he was promoted to Lieutenant General and assigned as Commander of the Higher Military Command of Interior and Islands "AIGEAS".

On 17 January 2023, he was assigned as Commander of the Special Warfare Command.

On 12 January 2024, upon decision of the Governmental National Security Council, he was promoted to General and appointed as Chief of the Hellenic National Defence General Staff (HNDGS).

He has been awarded all decorations, medals and commendations provided for his rank.

He holds a PhD with distinction on Information Dissemination Systems from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens. Also he holds Master's degrees on "Strategy and Diplomacy" and "Strategic Planning and Crisis Management". He has published numerous scientific papers, articles, studies, and articles for international journals and conferences on matters related to his PhD, cryptosecurity (chaotic cryptology – fractals), cyber warfare strategy, and special UAV matters.

He is an active freefall parachutist.

He is fluent in English and French. He is married with 3 children (one daughter, a clinical dietician, and two sons, Special Forces Officers).