



Colonel Christopher Attard

Military Representative of Malta to the EUMC

Colonel Christopher Attard joined the Armed Forces of Malta in July 1997. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant after successfully completing the *Allievi Ufficiali* course in Italy and the Infantry Officer Basic Course (IOBC) held at Fort Benning (USA).

On his return to Malta in 1999 he occupied several command positions in all the 1st Regiment Companies until 2010. This included a post he held for four years at the Irregular Immigration Detention camp during the national crises that started in 2002. During this period apart from being promoted to Captain, he graduated with a Diploma in Management from the University of Malta in 2004, a Diploma in Risk and Safety from University of Malta in 2008 and a Masters in Business Administration from Henley College, University of Reading, UK in 2011.

In 2010 following an Armed Forces of Malta re-organisation, a Risk and Safety section was introduced, he was appointed Staff Officer 3 in charge of OHS at the AFM HQ. In September 2011 he was seconded to the European Union Training Mission in Somalia where he served primarily as Personal Assistant to the Mission Commander in the OHQ in Kampala until April 2012. Due to personnel restriction he was also entrusted with the appointments of CJ6 CIS and Mission Information Manager of the mission. During this mission he was promoted to Major.

After the end of his appointment in Africa, he returned to Malta and he resumed his role at the Risk and Safety section for a short time until he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in Dec 2013 and he was appointed as Staff Officer 1 in charge of yet another new section in the Headquarters responsible of the European Union projects. During this appointment, which he held till April 2016, apart from acting a second in Command of the Integrated Logistics Branch, he served as administration officer on eleven projects which revolutionised the AFM's infrastructure, assets and equipment. In April 2016, he was promoted to Full Colonel and he was entrusted with the appointment of Head of the Capabilities and Training Branch within the AFM Headquarters, a post which he held until December 2019.

Colonel Attard is divorced and has two sons Kyle Julian and Sean Anthony aged 17 and 15. He is currently living in Brussels as he was recently appointed MILREP of Malta to EU and NATO. In his free time mostly likes to follow a wide range of sports, particularly football and attends fitness training at the gym regularly.