



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR MARCO CATANESE

Maj Marco Catanese is the Director of Operations of the Combat Training School. He directs 13 officer, enlisted in providing Integrated Air and Missile Defense academics, training, modeling and simulation, analysis and exercises in support of EUCOM, AFRICOM and NATO.

Maj Catanese attended the University of Portland in Oregon and gained his commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps in 2011. His first assignment was Eglin AFB, Florida where he was the Operations Analyst conducting Operational Test and Evaluation of electronic warfare systems for the F-16, A-10, B-1, B-52 and U-2. Following this assignment, he was the lead analyst for the Operational Test and Evaluation of for multiple space systems and became the Executive officer for the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center Detachment 4 at Peterson AFB, Colo. Next he was a Flight Commander at the 1st Manpower Requirements Squadron leading a team of 13 analysts developing manpower studies for the Force Support, Squadron Commander's Support Staff and Air Education and Training Command specific functions.

Maj Catanese has deployed in support of Operation Joint Guardian in Camp Film City Kosovo where he worked as a J5 Plans staff officer developing long term plans and determining future force requirements to support the NATO mission.



EDUCATION

- 2011 Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, University of Portland, Portland, Ore.
- 2012 Operations Research Systems Analysis Military Applications Course, Fort Lee, Va.
- 2015 Master of Science, Industrial Engineering, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.
- 2017 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2021 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 2011–December 2012, Operations Analyst, 28th Test and Evaluation Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
2. December 2012–December 2014, Space Control Test Analyst, Senior Space Control Test Analyst, Senior Special Programs Test Analyst, Executive Officer, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center Detachment 4, Peterson AFB, Colo.

3. July 2016–June 2019, Flight Commander, 1st Manpower Requirements Squadron, Randolph AFB, Texas (April 2018–October 2018, J5 Plans Staff Officer, HQ Kosovo Force, Camp Film City, Kosovo)
4. June 2019–June 2021, Chief, Innovation and Analysis, Assistant Director of Operations, Director of Operations, European Integrated Air and Missile Defense Center, Einsiedlerhof AS, Germany.
5. June 2021–Present, Director of Operations, Combat Training School, Einsiedlerhof AS, Germany.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal
NATO Medal (Balkans)

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2020 Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance's Air Force Missile Defender of the Year
2013 Air Force Association Lt Gen Howard W. Leaf Award
Professional Engineer (Colorado)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 7, 2011
First Lieutenant June 3, 2013
Captain June 3, 2015
Major May 1, 2021

(Current as of April 2022)