



## **Brigadier General Markus RIHS**

Chief of Armed Forces Personnel

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### **Current function**

Brigadier General Rihs is the Chief of Armed Forces Personnel (J 1) and answers directly to the Chief of Training and Education Command.

The Chief of Armed Forces Personnel is in charge of Recruitment Command, and has overall responsibility for the armed forces manpower and the management of military personnel from recruitment to discharge. In addition, Brigadier General Rihs is in charge of the pastoral care service, the psychological-pedagogic service and the social services of the armed forces.

### **Career**

1994 Captain, commander of an armoured howitzer battery  
1996 Major GS, officer in a field division staff  
1999 Commander of an armoured howitzer battalion  
2000 Lieutenant Colonel GS  
2002 Deputy Chief of Staff in an armoured brigade staff  
2004 Artillery Chief in the Land Forces Staff  
2008 Colonel GS, Artillery Chief in the Land Forces Staff  
2009 Chief of Logistics in the Artillery Schools Command Staff  
2012 Deputy Commander of Armour and Artillery Training Unit  
2015 Deputy Chief of the Military Strategy Staff

### **Functions**

1992 Company instructor at artillery recruit school  
1995 Deputy Commander of artillery recruit school  
1996 Chief of Training of "armoured howitzer upgrade" command  
2003 Commander of artillery technical course  
2004 Chief of unit training and deputy commander of artillery recruit schools  
2007 Commander of artillery recruit schools  
2011 Deputy Commander of Armour and Artillery Training Unit  
2015 Chief of political and military strategic business affairs of the Defence Group and Deputy Chief of Staff of the Chief of the Armed Forces' Staff