



Brigadier General Thomas Michael Dal Pian

Chief of Staff Joint Operations Command

Academic qualifications	Swiss Certified Career Officer, ETH Zurich MSc in Defense Analysis / Irregular Warfare, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey (USA) MSc in Forensic Psychology, University of Konstanz (Germany)
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Current function

Brigadier General Dal Pian is the Chief of Staff of Joint Operations Command and reports directly to the Chief of Joint Operations Command. Joint Operations Command is responsible for planning and conducting all operations and missions by the Swiss Armed Forces in Switzerland and abroad. The Chief of Staff is in charge of action planning, situation monitoring, staff management and after action review. He is also responsible for the Armed Forces Joint Operation Centre, ensuring basic and operational readiness of the Armed Forces and defence crisis management.

Military career

2000	Captain, commander of a mountain light infantry HQ & support company
2004	Officer assigned to the Commander of Grenadier command (Gren Cmd)
2006	Major GS, Deputy Commander of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment
2007	Commander of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment, Gren Cmd
2011	Lieutenant Colonel GS, Commander of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment, Special Forces Command (SFC)
2014	Staff Officer assigned to the Commander of Special Forces Command
2018	Commander of a mechanised infantry battalion, SFC
2020	Deputy Chief of Staff Operations / Planning, SFC
2022	Colonel GS, Chief of Staff / Deputy Commander SFC
2025	Brigadier General, Chief of Staff Joint Operations Command

Functions

1997	Entry into the career officer corps
1999	Career officer at grenadier schools / member of the Special Operations Forces project team
2003	Deputy project manager of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment project, Gren Cmd
2004	Deputy Commander of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment, Gren Cmd
2007	Commander of the Armed Forces Reconnaissance Detachment, Gren Cmd / SFC
2014	Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey (USA) / U.S. Marine Corps University (USA)
2016	Core Process Manager for Doctrine Research & Development, Armed Forces Staff
2019	Staff Officer assigned to Chief of Staff of Joint Operations Command
2020	Deputy Chief of Staff of Operations / Planning, Special Forces Command
2022	Chief of Staff and Deputy Commander of Special Forces Command
2025	Chief of Staff of Special Forces Command