## **FUTURE AIR FORCE 2023**

### **MEET THE CHAIRMAN**

Challenges of Modern Air Training and System Solution



"If any Air Force wants to have a future, it must be continuously focused on pilot training – be it basic, advanced or combat training"

Brigadier General (Ret) Libor Štefánik Former Czech Air Force Commander September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Prague - Czech Republic



Any shortage of prepared pilots means incapable Air Force which is not up to the defined tasks. Any efficient training needs proper modern syllabuses, skilled instructors, platforms delivering on training tasks and very importantly airfields and sufficient air space. There are different requirements by different Air Forces but theirs is a common task – preparing individual, both physically and mentally, to take the responsibilities of future air force life. Providers of the pilot training must be able to cover specific needs of individual clients and yet to secure effective training and safety. There are challenges in all aspects of the pilot training on the side of Air Forces as well as on the side of providers of the pilot training. Providers need predictability and commitment from clients due to the fact that pilot training is financially demanding activity. There are solutions at hand which can be either immediately used or created by cooperative approach. Overcoming challenges and implementing solutions – it is focus of this year conference.

#### Aim of the Conference

The organisers aim to create a long-term platform for bringing together experts dedicated to the development of air capabilities in general and their application in a continuously changing strategic environment.

- Exchange of experiences of users (representatives of the Air Force) on the issues of elementary, basic and advanced training, which is primarily carried out in training facilities whose founder and operator is the armed forces or private organizations, or both entities in close cooperation.
- To highlight the problems of recruiting new pilots and outline possible approaches that will increase the attractiveness of the military pilot profession.
- Best practices to present approaches to make the preparation (training) of pilots prior to conversion to new generation tactical aircraft as short as possible while maintaining the required quality.
- Define what options (lower cost, more flexibility, etc.) private companies offer to the Air Force in the flight training process.

### **Organizers**







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#### **CONFERENCE DATA:**

**PARTICIPANTS:** 80+

**VENUE:** Hotel Lindner

**FORM:** Presentations followed

by Q&A and panel discussions

**LANGUAGE:** English

## **Main Blocks**

The conference is divided thematically into four sessions that will address the key challenges for commanders, planners and decision makers in the coming years, influenced in particular by the advent of new technologies.

- O1 Challenges of modern air training and system solution
- Pilot recruitment A major challenge for the Air Forces
- 03 Industry engagement in future Air Force personnel training
- O4 Challenges of modern air training and system solution National views



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