

Biography

Deputy Commandant / Chief of Staff



Jac-Peter Tölkes

Colonel (OF-5), German Army

As Chief of Staff, Colonel Jac-Peter Tölkes supervises, directs, and coordinates the day-to-day operation of the NATO School Oberammergau with its staff body of about 200 personnel. He reviews, evaluates, and coordinates correspondence studies, procedures, and directives concerning plans, procedures, and operations and acts as the reviewing and coordinating official for all matters requiring the Commandant's attention to include budget matters and fiscal documents.

Colonel Jac-Peter Tölkes started his military career in 1981 when he joined the German Armed Forces for basic training followed by the Officers' Candidate Training at the Armored Troops School in Munster. In 1986 he graduated with a Master of Science diploma in Educational Sciences at the German Armed Forces University in Munich. From 1986 to 1994 Colonel Tölkes attended several officers' courses in Hammelburg and Hannover and served as Platoon Leader, Company Commander and Deputy Battalion Commander. In 1996 he graduated from the General Staff Officer Course at the German Armed Forces Command and Staff College in Hamburg. In 1998 he graduated from the French General Staff Courses in Paris.

Hereafter, he has served in a variety of positions such as Commander Mountain Infantry Battalion 233 in Mittenwald. Furthermore, he served at French Ministry of Defense, and as section head in Bundeswehr Transformation Centre. Prior to assuming his assignment at the NATO School he served as ACOS Training and Exercise (CJ7) at Multinational Joint HQ in Ulm.

In support of SFOR he has deployed to Sarajevo, Bosnia Herzegovina in 1999/2000. As part of the ISAF mission he has deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan in 2003, and as part of the RS mission again to Kabul in 2019/2020. Furthermore he served as COS for establishing the EU Ops Centre in 2012.

Colonel Jac-Peter Tölkes is married and has two children. He and his wife live in Bavaria.

ASSIGNMENTS

- G3 Operations in the HQ II. (GE/US) Corps, Ulm
- G3 Mountain Brigade 23, Bad Reichenhall
- Commander Mountain Infantry Battalion 233, Mittenwald
- Desk officer joint exercises, French Ministry of Defence, Paris
- Section head Operations Research, fundamentals and training, Bundeswehr Transformation Centre, Ottobrunn
- Section head in J5, Response Forces Operations Command, Ulm
- ACOS Training and Exercise, Multinational Joint HQ, Ulm

OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- HQ MND SE SFOR, Mostar, Bosnia Herzegovina
- ISAF and RSM, Kabul, Afghanistan

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