

Lieutenant General Gheorghită Vlad

Lieutenant General Gheorghită Vlad has been acting as Deputy Chief of Defence Staff since August 16, 2022.

Previously, between February 20 and August 2022, Lieutenant General Gheorghită Vlad held the position of deputy for operations and training of the head of the SMAP. Between August 2017 and February 2020 he was commander of the 2 Infantry Division "Getica" Buzău, and between 2016-2017 he was in command of the National Center for Intrunrate Training "Getica" from Cincu.

Between 2005-2014 he held various positions such as: Commander of the 631 Tank Battalion, Head of planning in the Operational Service of the Land Forces Staff, Head of information at the ground operations component and Commander of the 1 mechanized Brigade "Argedava".

In 2007, he served as a staff officer in the multinational Force Command in Iraq.

He has graduated numerous forms of studies and training, including those of the Interarme Faculty of the Academy of High Military Studies (graduated in 2002), Communication systems and computer Science course - Ede, Netherlands, postgraduate course at the National Defence College Bucharest, Course in peacekeeping operations – Oberammergau, Germany, Master in International Relations and Security Studies, "Lucian Blaga" University – Sibiu, as well as Master in Strategic Studies, USA Army War College - Carlisle, USA.

He graduated the Military High School "Dimitrie Cantemir" in 1988, the Military School of active Tank officers in Pitesti in 1991 and started his career as tank platoon commander at the 22 Tank Regiment in Bucharest.

He is decorated with: The order "Military virtue" in the rank of Knight, the emblem of Merit 3rd class "in the Service of the Romanian Army", the emblem of Merit 1st class "in the Service of Peace", the emblem of Honor of the Romanian Army, the emblem of Honor of the Defence Staff, the emblem of Honor of the Land Forces, The Air Force emblem of Honor, the emblem of Honor of Military Medicine, the emblem of Honor of Human resources, the emblem of Honor of Logistics.

Gheorghita Vlad was born on September 7, 1969, in Bucharest. He is married and has two children.