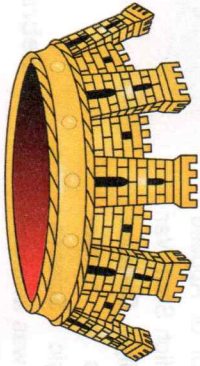


Italian Armed Forces is the term used to refer to the totality of the military components of the Italian Republic. There are four main divisions: Esercito Italiano, Marina Militare, Aeronautica Militare and Arma dei Carabinieri. Overall they employ more than 275.000 professionals. The emblem of the Italian Armed Forces is made of the single emblems of the four corps joined together and a mural crown on top of it, classical symbol of military valour.



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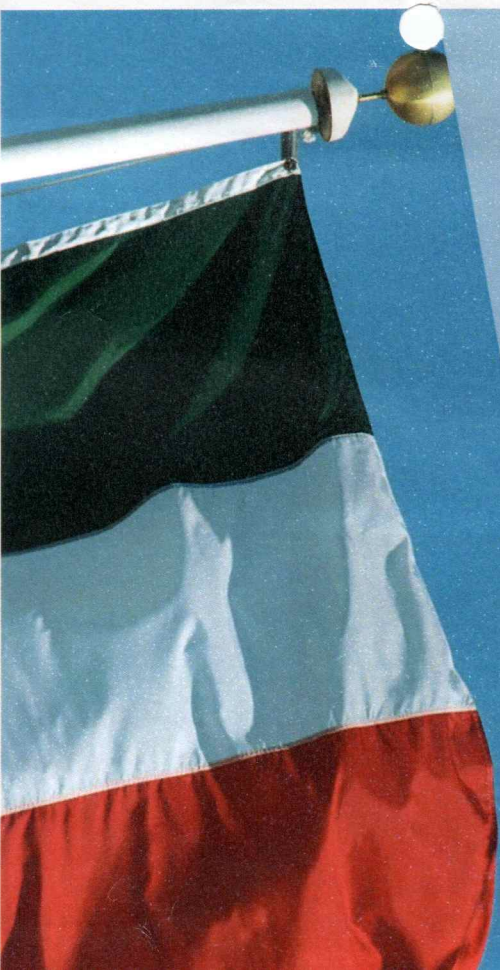
The Embassy of Italy in Sofia

presents

"The Italian Army History, developments and future"

by Brig. Gen. Antonio Trogu, representing UNUCI Bulgaria

Friday 3rd, November 2017, 6:00pm
Residence of the Italian Ambassador in Sofia



The conversation

The aim of the conversation is to provide the audience with a broad overview of the development of the Italian Army throughout history, thus the following topics will be touched.

Among the various, a relevant part will be dedicated to:

- "Cisalpine Republic" and its legacy (Italian flag)
- The establishment of the Italian Army (note no. 76 of the 4th of May 1861)
- 1866 – 1914. From the III War of Independence to World War I



- The question of Veneto and the end of the "Roman question"

- The 1914 and the outbreak of the European conflict
- The outbreak of World War II
- The campaign against France and the armistice.
- The army of the Republic
- The accession to NATO
- The accession of Italy to the Atlantic pact opened in 1949
- The restructuring of 1975
- The failure of the Warsaw Pact
- International missions of Italy
- The army of the XXI century



The speaker

Brig. Gen. Antonio Trogu

Born in 1954, Brig. Gen. Antonio Trogu has a long and outstanding career in the military Academia such as the Italian Military Academy and School of Applied Military Science the High Staff War College and the High Defence Institute. He holds a master degree in Strategic Science. During his carrier he was awarded the Knight of Merit of the Italian Republic. He has received numerous military decorations and awards, including the Army Worth Silver Cross and the France Defence Silver Cross.

From 2007 to 2010 he was Defence Attaché at the Italian Embassy in Sofia.



The celebration

November, the 4th

Is a National Holiday known as the "Day of National Unity and of the Armed Forces". The 4th of November, 1918 is considered worldwide as the day on which the 1st World War ended, thanks to the armistice between Italy and Austro-Hungary - signed the previous day in Villa Giusti near Padua (Veneto).

