



VADM Pier Federico BISCONTI was born in Abbadia San Salvatore (Siena) and since December 2021 has been appointed as "Italian Navy Personnel Department" Director, in Rome.

On June 17th, 2022, while retaining the above mentioned duty, he assumed the post of Deputy Secretary General of Defence and Deputy National Armaments Director.

After Naval High School "Francesco Morosini" in Venice, in 1981 he joined the Italian Naval Academy and, graduated as Ensign, in 1985 was commissioned "Communications, Naval Operations and Electronic Warfare Officer".

He served as Navigator on the Destroyer "CAIO DUILIO" and as Operation Department Officer on the Frigate "MAESTRALE" during the Persian Gulf Campaign in 1991.

In 1993 he served as Commanding Officer of Minehunter "NUMANA", which had just been delivered from Naval Dockyards in La Spezia.

After that, he was assigned as Section Head at the Italian Navy Intelligence Center in Rome, taking part to different initiatives and working groups in multinational and international context. In particular, he was deployed to AFSOUTH (Naples) as Chief of Naval Desk during NATO led operation in Bosnia (1995) and to the National Intelligence Cell (NIC) in Tirana (Albania) in 1997 for operation "ALBA".

From 1997 to 1999 he served as Commandant of Midshipmen and Ensigns class at the Naval Academy, Livorno and then attended the Military Studies College's class of 1999-2000 at the COLLÈGE INTERARMÉES DE DÉFENSE in Paris, France..

Back on board, he was appointed Executive Officer of the Destroyer "AUDACE", the NATO Standing Naval Force for Mediterranean (STANAVFORMED) Flagship and, as Commanding Officer of the Frigate "SCIROCCO", he participated to different maritime exercises and real world operations, including NATO Operation "Active Endeavour" in support of Operation "Enduring Freedom".

From 2003 Captain Bisconti was assigned to the Navy General Staff in Rome as Deputy Director of the Department of Navy personnel.

From 2007 he returned to sea as Commanding Officers of Destroyer "DURAND DE LA PENNE", which, as NATO Standing Maritime Group 2 (SNMG2) Flagship, was deployed to the Indian Ocean in the context of NATO led operation "Allied Provider" to fight piracy.

From 2009 to 2012 he was assigned at the Italian Embassy in Paris as Naval Attaché to France.

Promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral, he was then appointed Deputy Director of the International Relations and Policy Department at the Italian Defense General Staff in Rome and, from June 2013, assigned to the Ministry of Defense in Rome, as MoD Cabinet Deputy Director.

After this experience, he came back to the Italian Navy General Staff from November 2017 to October 2019 where he led the Plans and Maritime Policy Department.

Promoted to the rank Vice Admiral he was assigned as "Joint Operational Command" Chief of Staff in Rome, from October 2019 to December 2021.

Vice Admiral BISCONTI has a Bachelor's Degree in Maritime and Naval Sciences at the University of Pisa, a Master's Degree with mention in "Political Sciences" at University of Trieste and a second level Master in Science of Defense and Security.