

Brigadier General Rumen Radev

Deputy Chief of Air Force



Brigadier General Radev is born on July 18th, 1963, in Dimitrovgrad, Bulgaria.

Education:

- 1982 – High School of mathematics, Kazanlak;
- 1982 - 1987 – Air Force Academy, Dolna Mitropolia;
- 1992 – Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, USA;
- 1994 - 1996 – Command and Staff College „Georgi Rakovski”, Sofia, Bulgaria;
- 2000 – Doctor of Military science degree in “Flight personnel tactical training improvement and air combat simulations”;
- 2002 - 2003 – Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, USA.

Military career:

- 1987 – 1988 - Junior Pilot, 15th Fighter Aviation Regiment – Ravnetz;
- 1989 – 1990 - Deputy Commander of Flight, 15th Fighter Aviation Regiment – Ravnetz;
- 1990 – 1994 - Commander of Flight, 15th Fighter Aviation Regiment – Ravnetz;
- 1994 – 1996 - Command and Staff College „Georgi Rakovski”, Sofia, Bulgaria;
- 1996 – 1998 - Commander of MiG-29 Flight squadron 5th Fighter Air Base – Ravnetz;
- 1998 – 1999 - Deputy Commander for Flight Training, 5th Fighter Air Base – Ravnetz;
- 1999 – 2000 - Deputy Commander for Flight Training, 5th Fighter Air Base – Graf Ignatievo;
- 2000 – 2002 - Chief of Staff of 3rd Fighter Air Base – Graf Ignatievo;
- 2002 – 2003 - Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, USA;
- 2003 – 2005 - Chief of Staff of 3rd Fighter Air Base – Graf Ignatievo;
- 2005 – 2009 - Commander of 3rd Fighter Air Base – Graf Ignatievo;
- 2009 – Deputy Chief of Air Forces Training HQ;
- 2010 – Deputy Chief of Air Forces.

Flight Experience:

Pilot First Class

Has flown L-29; L-39, МиГ-15; МиГ-17, МиГ-21; МиГ-29

More than 1400 flight hours

Promotions:

1987 – Lieutenant;

1990 – 1-st Lieutenant;

1994 – Captain;

1997 – Major;

2000 – Lieutenant Colonel;

2003 – Colonel;

2007 – Brigadier General.

Awards and Decorations:

Commendation Medal of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Bulgaria, awards of the General Staff of the Bulgarian Armed Forces and of the Bulgarian Air Force HQ.

Languages: English, German and Russian.

Married, with two children.