



Curriculum Vitae

General Steve THULL

Chief of Defence



Steve Thull was born on April 23, 1967 in Esch-sur-Alzette. In 1987 he successfully passed the selection for officer candidates, entered the Royal Military Academy in Brussels, Belgium, and graduated in social and military sciences in 1991.

Promoted to lieutenant in 1991, he was assigned to the Military Centre in Diekirch where he occupied the following positions: platoon commander (recce, anti-tank, and mortar) and commander of a light reconnaissance company. In 1999 he took up the position of personnel officer and in 2003 that of deputy commander of the Military Centre. A graduate of the 14th cohort of the War College in Paris in 2007, he was assigned to the General Staff of the Armed Forces that same year. There, he successfully held the positions of assistant officer to the studies and planning officer, personnel and public affairs officer and Army information and communication systems officer.

As commander of the light reconnaissance company, captain Thull worked out the arrangements for the integration of his unit into the 1st Belgian Mechanized Division in 1998. Between 2015 and 2020, lieutenant colonel Steve Thull represented the Luxembourg Armed Forces in the Consultation, Command and Control Board (C3B) of NATO and the Communication and Information Systems / Cyber Directors' Board of the European Union. Between 2016 and 2020, he also represented the Army in NATO's "Federated Mission Networking Management Board". During this period, he operationalized the Army's new satellite communication capability, leading to a first operational deployment in 2020 within the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA). In 2016, he set up the bureau of cyber defence within the Army.

Steve Thull participated in 1997 as a first lieutenant in NATO's IFOR operation in Bosnia-Herzegovina and in 2008 as a lieutenant colonel in the European Union's EUFOR Tchad/RCA operation in Chad and the Central African Republic.

As of September 29, 2020, he was entrusted with the function of Chief of Defence and was promoted to general.

During his military career, General Thull's training was complemented by attending the following schools:

1991	:	Military Engineering School in Jambes (BEL) – Engineer platoon leader course
1992 – 1993	:	Infantry School in Montpellier (FRA) – Infantry platoon leader course
1997	:	Infantry School in Arlon (BEL) – Company commander course
1999 – 2000	:	Staff College in Compiègne (FRA) – Staff officer course
2006 – 2007	:	War College in Paris (FRA) – Higher military education
2010	:	Harvard Kennedy School in Boston (USA) - Course "Senior Executives in National and International Security"

General Thull holds the following diplomas:

- Master in Social and Military Sciences
- Diploma in Higher Military Education

General Thull holds the following decorations:

National:

- Officer with Crown of the Order of Civil and Military Merit of Adolph of Nassau
- Commander in the Order of the Oak Crown
- Commander of the Order of Merit of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
- Cross of Honour and military Merit in bronze
- Medal of recognition for mission abroad
- Commemorative medal of Prince Jean of Luxembourg
- Cross for 25 years of service
- Commemorative medal of the marriage of TT.RR.HH. the Crown Prince and the Crown Princess
- Commemorative medal in memory of H.R.H. Grand Duke Jean

International:

- Officer of the “Légion d’honneur” (FRA)
- Grand Officer in the Order of Crown (BEL)
- Officer of the Order of Orange-Nassau (NLD)
- National Defence System of the Republic of Lithuania - Medal of Merit (LTU)
- NATO Medal for services rendered in operations relating to the former Yugoslavia (NATO)
- Commemorative Medal for missions or operations abroad (BEL)
- ESDP Service Medal – “EUFOR Chad/CAR” (EU)

General Thull is married and the father of three children.