



Franck Mollard

**Major General
France Air and Space Force**

**Commander
European Air Transport Command**

Major General Franck MOLLARD was born in Le Mans (France) on 7 March 1970. He graduated from Sup'Aéro in 1992 and was a member of the 1991 "Captain Koëning" class of the French Air and Space Force Academy.

After qualifying as a fighter pilot in 1995, he accumulated 2,600 flying hours (including more than 2,000 on the Mirage 2000) and took part in 30 combat missions. From 2005 to 2006 he attended the French Air Force War School, where he obtained a Master's degree in Defence Policy, Strategy and Industrial Dynamics.

His first assignment in 1995 was with Fighter Squadron 01.005 "Vendée", where he served as patrol leader and commanded the SPA 124 "Jeanne d'Arc" squadron before becoming Deputy Chief of Operations, while continuing to serve on the Mirage 2000C in Orange. After being appointed as programme officer for the Mirage 2000-5 at the Weapon System Office of Air Force Headquarters in Paris in 2003, he served from 2006 to 2009 as second-in-command of EC 02.002 "Côte d'Or" before becoming commander of Fighter Group 01.002 "Cigognes" in Dijon.

From 2009 to 2011 he served as Head of the Combat Engagement Section at Air Force Headquarters in Paris. Following a three-year deployment to Kuwait as Air Advisor to the Chief of Staff of the Kuwait Air Force, he returned to Paris in 2014 as Chief of the Analysis Cell of the Air Force Major General. From 2015 to 2017 he served as Commander of Air Force Base 118 "Colonel Rozanoff", Commander of the Mont-de-Marsan Defence Base and Departmental Military Delegate for Landes.

From 2018 to 2021 he served as Chief of Staff to the Secretary General for Administration. Following his promotion to Air Brigadier General in 2021, he was appointed Director of the Accident Investigation Office for State Aviation Safety. In August 2023 he was promoted to Air Major General and assumed command of the European Air Transport Command (EATC) in September 2023.

Major General Mollard took part in Operation Alysse and Operation Salamander-Trident and has been awarded, among other distinctions, the Officer of the Legion of Honour, the Officer of the National Order of Merit, the Aeronautics Medal and the Combatant's Cross.

Major General Mollard is married and has two adult children.