

Multi-Domain Command Europe



MISSION

Multi-Domain Command - Europe (MDC-E) plans, integrates, executes, and assesses long-range precision fires and multi-domain effects for U.S. Army Europe and Africa to destroy enemy A2AD capabilities and disrupt ground forces. In support of theater objectives, MDC-E synchronizes targeting to employ Army lethal and non-lethal fires and effects for land forces to achieve overmatch against any adversary.



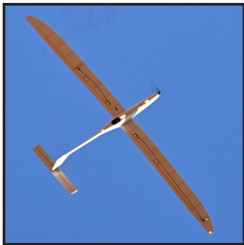
Brigadier General
Steven P. Carpenter



Command Sergeant Major
Caleb C. Webster

HISTORY

The 56th Artillery Command was created to serve as the theater fires headquarters for Army forces in Europe to perform the critical role of synchronizing targeting, fires, and non-lethal effects. 2nd Multi-Domain Task Force was activated to support U.S. Army Europe and Africa's multi-domain operations as a subordinate of the 56th Artillery Command. Based in Mainz-Kastel, Germany, the MDC-E was formed by merging the 56th Artillery Command with the 2nd MDTF serving as a primary ambassador for the concept multi-domain capabilities and integrated effects across Europe and Africa. Today, MDC-E integrates and synchronizes lethal and non-lethal effects across the theater to support Joint and NATO objectives to quickly defeat adversary A2AD capabilities and blunt the mass and momentum of ground forces.



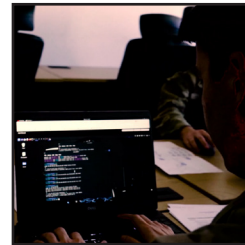
AIR



LAND



SEA



CYBER



SPACE

CONTINUOUS TRANSFORMATION

The Army's 2025 transformation aligns with the Multi-Domain Command - Europe's mission by transforming two existing headquarters into one command focused on warfighting. MDC-E is a headquarters with teeth that executes targeting and integrates lethal and non-lethal fires across the theater. MDC-E is transforming into a theater-optimized, globally available command capable of rapidly integrating the Joint force, allies, partners, and emerging capabilities into warfighting against any adversary. Importantly, by transforming into a single command, MDC-E reduced both the people and budget needed to execute its mission.

OPPORTUNITIES IN EUROPE

Global deterrence starts in Europe as the US Army's location in theater, integrated with NATO allies, makes the command the premier global warfighter. Europe provides a "live lab" to accelerate experimentation, compound learning, and develop cutting-edge capabilities to support Joint operations.

EXPERIMENTATION & TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

The Multi-Domain Command - Europe leads U.S. Army Europe-Africa in modernization through experimentation with and integration of technologies by identifying capabilities from industry partners and using them in operational environments. Lethality and warfighting are the sole focus and MDC-E seeks to rapidly adapt operational concepts to leverage emerging technologies and capabilities.

EASTERN FLANK DETERRENCE LINE

The Eastern Flank Deterrence Line is designed to detect and blunt a Russian incursion before it gains momentum, denying a fait accompli scenario. The goal is to hold terrain and disrupt Russian A2AD bubbles, enabling a joint counterattack and preventing adversaries from leveraging tactical nuclear threats. Unmanned systems are no longer niche, they're core enablers of mass and precision, integrated into every phase of the fight.



DYNAMIC FRONT 26



By the Numbers:

23 Countries



3 Major Commands



MDC-E
Multi-Domain
Command - Europe



MNC-SE
Multi-National Corps
South East



LANDCOM
NATO Allied Land Command

4 Live Fire Locations



ROMANIA



POLAND



GERMANY



SPAIN

89 Artillery Systems



CANNONS: 34



MLRS: 49



AVENGERS: 6

3,156 Total Personnel

Training across 5 countries:



1,621 ROMANIA
700 GERMANY
450 POLAND
35 TÜRKIYE
350 SPAIN

Key Notes



Multi-Domain Operations



6 FMN's

FEDERATED MISSION NETWORK



15 ASCA Participants

ARTILLERY SYSTEMS COOPERATION ACTIVITIES

Biography

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Commanding General - Multi-Domain Command Europe



Brigadier General Steven P. Carpenter is a native of Lancaster, Pennsylvania and received his commission as a field artillery officer upon graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in June 1996.

He began his career in the 4-42 Field Artillery, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, TX where he served as a Fire Direction Officer, Platoon Leader, Strike-Recon Platoon Leader and Battalion Assistant S3.

After the Captain's Career Course, he was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division Artillery where he served as the 1-21 Infantry Fire Support Officer and Commander of B/ 2-11 Field Artillery Regiment where he deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom 01-02. Following graduation from the Canadian Joint

Command and Staff Program in Toronto, Canada, BG Carpenter deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom 07-08 as a Military in Transition Team Chief with the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Upon redeployment, he was assigned to the 41st Fires Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, TX where he served as the 1-21 Field Artillery S3, Brigade S3, Brigade Executive Officer and Brigade Deputy Commanding Officer.

BG Carpenter commanded the 3-13 Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Infantry Division at Fort Sill, OK from June 2012 to April 2014. Following battalion command, BG Carpenter was selected to serve as Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff, Army (CSA) where he was responsible for the Army's General Officer Education Program.

From June 2017 to July 2019, BG Carpenter commanded the 75th Field Artillery Brigade, III Corps where he deployed to the Middle East and Central Asia in support of Operations Inherent Resolve, Freedom's Sentinel and Spartan Shield and supported the Korea rotational battalion mission.

Following brigade command, BG Carpenter returned to the Pentagon where he served on The Joint Staff in the J35 as the EUCOM and NATO Division Chief from July 2019 to February 2020 and then as the Assistant, Deputy Director for Regional Operations (ADDRO) until June 2021.

BG Carpenter then served as the Deputy Commanding General for the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Cavazos, Texas from June 2021 to June 2023. Most recently, BG Carpenter served as Commanding General, 7th Army Training Command headquartered in Grafenwoehr, Germany from June 2023 to June 2025.

BG Carpenter holds a Bachelor of Science degree in American Legal Studies from the U.S. Military Academy, a Master of Science degree in International Relations from Saint Mary's University, a Master of Science degree in Defense Studies from the Royal Military College of Canada and a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy from the National Defense University.

Married 24 years, BG Carpenter and his wife, Kaitlin, are the proud parents of five children.