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## CV of IDF Lt. Colonel Jonathan CONRICUS

### **Current assignment**

Lt. Col. Jonathan Conricus is the Head of the International Media Branch of the IDF Spokesperson's Unit, which means that he is the IDF's Spokesman to the world. Lt Col Conricus is responsible for the public affairs and public diplomacy of the IDF, in traditional as well as in social media, and leads a team of more than 50 highly talented Israeli men and women. After making aliyah at the age of 13, Lt. Col Conricus has been serving in the IDF for 20 years in various capacities, including combat experience from Lebanon and Gaza as a Platoon and Company commander, while focusing the majority of his military service on international relations and military diplomacy. Lt. Col Conricus is married and blessed with four children.

### **Previous positions and experience**

#### **November 2014- July 2017:**

Assessment Officer in the Office of Military Affairs (OMA) of the United Nations Department of Peace Keeping Operations (DPKO). Lt. Col Conricus was the first IDF officer to be seconded to the UN where he provided strategic intelligence analysis of various combat zones of interest to the UN, mainly the Horn of Africa and the Sahel.

#### **November 2013-November 2014:**

Deputy (and Acting) Chief Liaison Officer Northern Command

#### **November 2011- November 2013:**

Head of the IDF Liaison Unit to UN peace keeping forces on the Golan (UNDOF)

#### **2009-2011:**

Head of the IDF Liaison Unit to UN peace keeping forces in Lebanon (UNIFIL)

#### **2005-2009:**

Head of the International Doctrine Section in the Ground Forces Doctrine and Concepts Department

#### **2005-2006:**

Infantry Battalion S3 in Gaza

#### **2003-2004:**

Infantry Company CO

#### **2000-2001:**

Platoon CO in an elite sabotage unit of an Infantry brigade

### **Academic education**

2007- Pending completion: MA in Translation Studies from the Bar Ilan University.

2003 BA in Military Studies (History, Islam and Middle East) from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, *cum laude*.