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**Brief professional background:**

**Associate professor Josef PROCHÁZKA, PhD** is a graduate of the Military Academy in Brno in the design of the special vehicle and tank equipment (1990). Between 1990 and 1996 he was responsible for the technical preparation of non-commissioned officers. From 1996 to 1999 he occupied several staff positions at the General Staff and Ministry of Defence with the main focus on logistic planning and acquisition. In 2000 he started working as a research fellow at the Institute for Strategic Studies and in 2006 he became a deputy director of the institution. In 2007 he retired from the military active service in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. From 2007 to 2011 he was responsible for strategic planning of the CZE MoD development within the Defence Policy and Strategy Division. In 2011 he served at the Czech Permanent Delegation at NATO with the responsibility for the management of NATO Common Resources. After completion of his assignment at NATO in 2014, he was appointed as the deputy director of the Centre for Security and Military Strategic Studies of the University of Defence.

In 1999 and 2004 Mr Procházka conducted two operational tours in Bosnia and Herzegovina. First time as a liaison officer for the Czech Battlegroup within SFOR mission and the second one as the Head of the Operational Planning Group at the EUFOR Headquarters of the operation Althea.

Mr Procházka participated in the logistics fellowship program in Germany in 1995. In 2002 he attended the International Course on Defence Resource Management at the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey (US), 2008 the Senior Security Policy Course at Marshall Centre in Garmisch-Partenkirchen (GE) and in 2019 the Senior Executive Decision-Making Course at the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey. In 2006 he graduated from the General Staff's Course at the University of Defence in Brno and completed his doctoral study program in military logistics. His dissertation thesis dealt with the best practice in acquisition processes. In 2019 he defended his habilitation thesis dealing with Strategic approaches to Armed Forces Adaptation.

**Field of Expertise:**

- Mr Procházka's research focuses on strategic management and defence policy.
- He is mostly engaged in the development of the best practice for long-term planning, defence planning, capability-based planning and in analysis of material, human and financial resources related to the implementation of security and defence policy of the Czech Rep.
- He is a member of the editorial board of the Defence & Strategy journal. He has been teaching at the University of Defence, at the Masaryk University and the CEVRO Institute.

**Education and specialised courses:**

- Habilitation procedures in security fields at the University of Defence in 2019
- Graduate from the doctoral programme in national defence management at the University of Defence in 2005.
- Course of the General Staff in 2006.
- In 1995, 2002, 2008, 2019 he completed study stays abroad in the field of logistics, resource management, security policy and strategic management.
- Graduate from the Military Academy in Brno (1985-1990) in tank and automotive technology.