



EU MILITARY ASSISTANCE MISSION IN MOZAMBIQUE



Mission Force Commander **Brigadier General Luís Machado Barroso**

Brigadier General Luís Machado Barroso was born in Porto de Mós, Leiria, in 1967, and began his military career by joining the Military Academy in 1986. He served at the Infantry School from 1991 to 2003, where he held various command and instructional roles as a junior Officer, Captain, and Major. During this period, he taught tactics in the Infantry Officer and NCO Basic Courses, as well as in the Captains' Career Course. His command experience includes Rifle Platoon Commander, Heavy Mortar Platoon Commander, Company Commander, and Director of the Infantry Basic NCO Course. In 2005, after completing the General Staff Course, he was appointed as a Professor of Tactics and Military Operations at the Institute of Advanced Military Studies (IAEM).

From 2014 to 2017, Brigadier General Barroso served at the Joint Force Command in Brunssum, the Netherlands, where he led the Collection Coordination and Intelligence Requirements Management section within the Intelligence Division. From 2017 to 2018, he was the Deputy Commander of Infantry Regiment No. 1 in Beja. Between 2019 and 2021, he commanded the Emergency Military Support Regiment (RAME).

After completing the Flag Officers' Course in 2022, he was appointed Head of the Education Department at the Military University Institute (IUM), with a specific focus on the Study of Crises and Armed Conflicts (AEECCA). Additionally, he directed the PhD programme in Military Sciences at the IUM.

Brigadier General Barroso's experience in Africa includes roles as a Technical-Military Cooperation advisor in São Tomé e Príncipe (2001), Angola (2008), and Mozambique (2013). His academic credentials include completing the Spanish Armed Forces General Staff Course (2011), earning a master's degree (2006-2008), and obtaining a PhD in History, Defence, and International Relations from ISCTE – University Institute of Lisbon (2008-2012). He has also served as a guest lecturer at civilian universities and as a researcher at the Centre for International Studies at ISCTE.

Throughout his distinguished career, Brigadier General Barroso has received numerous commendations and scientific awards from both military and civilian institutions. He is married and has two daughters.