

Peter ROUND

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Air Commodore Pete Round joined the RAF in 1979 as a University Cadet and read Metallurgy at Manchester University.

After officer and flying training he flew Buccaneers in the maritime strike/attack role from RAF Lossiemouth. He became a RAF Qualified Flying Instructor in 1990 and a T37 Instructor Pilot and Flight Commander at the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training School at Sheppard Air Force Base Texas in 1992.

After a tour as Deputy Chief Flying Instructor at the Central Flying School he became a Staff Officer in the Ministry of Defence working for the Director of Military Operations with particular responsibility for Arms

Control issues.

He completed Joint Advanced Command and Staff Training in 1999 and went on to become Chief Instructor at RAF Linton-on-Ouse running RAF Basic Fast Jet Training. This tour was followed by an operational tour to become the RAF Detachment Commander at Prince Sultan Air Force Base, Saudi Arabia with responsibility for Air Operations over Southern Iraq. He then completed a tour as an Operations Team Leader at the Permanent Joint Headquarters with responsibility at different times for UK Operations in Afghanistan, the Balkans and all UK supported UN Operations. This was followed by a tour on the Policy Director's staff in the Ministry of Defence with particular responsibility for International Defence Relations Policy, UK/US policy staff interaction and during which time he was a co-author of Defence Strategic Guidance 05. He took command of No 1 Elementary Flying Training School in 2005 with responsibility for initial flying training for all Royal Navy, Army and RAF aircrew.

He was then the United Kingdom National Liaison Representative to NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation in Norfolk, Virginia. Most recently he was the Assistant Director Flying Training with responsibility to Director Flying Training for all aspects of pre-OCU flying training for the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force as well as the introduction of the United Kingdom Military Flying Training System in partnership with Ascent.

He joined the European Defence Agency in 2012.



Air Commodore Round lives in Brussels with his wife, who is a former Trade and Industry Civil Servant, and their daughter. He enjoys Offshore Sailing, watching Rugby and Cricket and uses any time left over to pamper his Lotus Elise.

He has a Masters Degree in Defence from Kings College, London.