

Italian Army Day

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NRDC-IT celebrates Italian Army Day



NRDC-IT promotional stand

Rome, Italy. The NATO Rapid Deployable Corps – Italy took part in the celebration of the 143rd Anniversary of the Italian Army on 4th May 2004.

The event took part in the Military Hippodrome of Tor di Quinto in Rome and NRDC-IT contributed with an international delegation of the Staff and a stand showing its organization and activities.

The President of the Italian Republic, the Hon Carlo Azeglio CIAMPI, presided over the celebration that was attended by the highest political and military authorities, national and international military high ranking officials, civilians and national media.

The NRDC-IT stand was hosted in an "international area" within a static display of the main equipment and weapons system of the Italian Army:

Emphasising the importance of worldwide military

cooperation, the Italian Army asked the Allies and friendly countries to take part in this event and present their own armies; eleven countries attended with their delegations: Austria, France, Germany, Hungary, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom and United States of America.

More than 2000 soldiers were involved in the parade and in the tactical demonstrations, showing the best equipment and vehicles of the Italian Army such as attack and transport helicopters, CENTAURO armored vehicles, ARIETE tanks and PUMA infantry vehicles.

The NRDC-IT display was visited by Mr Letta, Undersecretary of the Presidency of Ministers Council, and attracted many curious visitors. In fact, such was the fame of our "special" promotional gadgets, that we feared the stand would run out after only one hour!

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