What is JTEC?

- The Joint Training and Evaluation Centre was established in the wake of NATO’s 2014 Summit in Wales. The centre was inaugurated in August 2015.
- The JTEC provides advanced training and courses for troops from Georgia, NATO and partner nations.
- It is one of fifteen projects under the Substantial NATO Georgia Package (SNGP) – a set of defence capacity-building initiatives aimed at supporting the Georgian Armed Forces and wider security sector in their efforts to modernise and reform, and to become interoperable with NATO.
- The Centre is located at the Training and Educational Command Support Centre in Krtsanisi, just outside Tbilisi.

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- The Centre is staffed by some 260 Georgian military and civilian personnel, and officers from several NATO and Partner countries including Denmark, Latvia, Lithuania, UK, Finland and Norway, in addition to permanent contractors from the US.

The future of JTEC

- The Training and Evaluation Centre is in constant development, and include plans to expand activities over the next three years. The United States will offer new instrumentation technology allowing the centre to simulate fire support and other effects in the field. By 2019, the JTEC aims to offer integrated live field training, constructive training, and virtual training with computer-based simulators, to Georgian troops at all levels - from Command and Brigade level down to battalion, company and platoon levels - all in one integrated training rotation. Links will be developed with other NATO training centres and ongoing training activities in Allied Member States.
Welcome to JTEC Training!

- The NATO Georgia Joint Training and Evaluation Centre, or JTEC, is a newly established training centre where NATO, Georgian and partner nation officers are working together to provide state-of-the-art training for Georgian and NATO troops, as well as troops from partner nations.
- The JTEC is designed to make use of advanced technology to provide GAF units the benefits of training against a dynamic and realistic enemy generated either by live instrumented forces or by computer simulation.
- The instrumentation and simulation technology allow the training units to exercise realistically and effectively, yet affordably. It allows the centre and the training units themselves to analyse unit performances and thus determine how to sustain or improve a unit’s training methods.

Training Philosophy

JTEC’s training concept is based on modern training philosophies. The centre emphasises individual and independent judgement and provides tailored feedback, in line with the concepts of mission command and combined arms. Our goal is to assist in the development of flexible, agile and responsible Georgian Armed Forces.

Live Training

- The JTEC live training department provides realistic and affordable training for Georgian combat units. Combat units are allocated training time at the centre, where they undergo training against a live enemy (opposing force - OPFOR).
- Both the enemy and the training unit are equipped with laser transmitters and receivers, which teaches the individual soldiers and their leaders how to fight, lead and win in combat.
- In the centre, a multinational training staff and observer-controllers (OCs) support and advise the combat units. The OCs and the training staff assist the unit and its leaders in how to reach the unit’s own goals as well as GAF’s training objectives.
- The company units are each given a week of training time in the centre. Prior to this, they undergo preparations based on their own training goals and input from the centre’s multinational training staff.
- During and after the training, the leaders and their unit receive constructive feedback from the centre’s training staff/OCs on how to improve their performance.

Simulation Training

- In addition to live training, the JTEC offers simulation training to Georgian, NATO and partner nations’ unit staffs at battalion and brigade level.
- The unit staffs are trained in planning, decision-making, command and control, and leadership through the use of JCATS computer simulation equipment.
- The JCATS offers realistic computer simulation so that leaders and their staffs may train against a dynamic enemy.

Exercises

- JTEC facilitates, supports and conducts NATO-Georgia exercises in Georgia.
- It also facilitates, supports and conducts Georgian national interagency, as well as regional, bilateral and multinational exercises.

Analysis

The units’ performances during all training are evaluated and analysed by a separate analysis department. The analysis is used to suggest possible changes in the organisation, doctrines, training, equipment or procurement of the Georgian Armed Forces.