



## JOINT WARFARE CENTRE

### Fact Sheet

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#### Background

The Joint Warfare Centre (JWC) was established on 23 October 2003 at Jättå, Stavanger, Norway, subordinate to Headquarters Supreme Allied Commander Transformation in Norfolk, Virginia, the United States. The JWC is NATO's premier warfare and collective training and exercise organization at the operational level. The Centre achieved its Full Operational Capability in 2006.

#### Organization

The JWC is a multi-national and multi-service NATO organization with more than 250 military and civilian personnel from 15 NATO Nations: Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain, Romania, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States.

#### Mission

The JWC provides NATO's training focal point for full spectrum joint operational level warfare. The Centre's primary mission is joint, collective training at the operational level for the NATO Command Structure (NCS) and NATO Force Structure (NFS) headquarters. The Centre is the main enabler of NATO's Command Post and Computer Assisted Exercises (CPX/CAX).

The JWC also supports NATO's Joint Warfare Development through integration of new concepts, maintenance of joint operational doctrine and standards, experimentation as well as collecting, analysing and sharing lessons learned. Since October 2003, the JWC has trained nearly 64,000 personnel from NATO Member and Partner Nations.

#### Commander's Vision

— The JWC sustains and enhances its role as the premier provider and enabler in NATO for innovation and exercises at the joint operational level of warfare, for the headquarters of the NCS/NFS, and when ordered, to any other headquarters of the Alliance. The JWC must continue to be at the heart of evolving NATO Joint Warfare Development, delivering Transformation through exercises to meet NATO's future warfare requirements.

#### Mission Areas

1. Provides joint operational level collective training in support of NATO's ongoing operations and for the joint/combined staffs of the NCS/NFS headquarters in order to enhance interoperability and operational effectiveness.
2. Provides and conducts NATO Response Force (NRF) certification exercises.
3. Provides collective training support to Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR), at all stages of the planning, execution and analysis, in accordance with the Bi-Strategic Military Training and Exercise Programme.
4. Supports concept integration and doctrine development and coordinates integration of experimentation and capability development.
5. Contributes to NATO's lessons learned process and ensures Transformational outputs are integrated into collective training events.
6. Supports adherence to Joint Operational Warfare doctrine and standards.
7. Creates, maintains and develops NATO's synthetic training scenarios.
8. Provides state-of-the-art computer simulation (CAX) and media simulation capabilities.

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