



CURRICULUM VITAE

Warrant Officer André Koot

Command Sergeant Major 1 (German/Netherlands) Corps



WO André Koot was born on the 9th of January 1964. He was raised in the hometown of the Dutch Government: The Hague. After graduating high school, Koot joined the Royal Dutch Army in 1982.

In 1983 he started basic NCO training at the Royal Military School for Non-commissioned Officers. Upon completion, he became a sergeant in a reconnaissance battalion, where – after several positions – Koot became deputy platoon commander within 103 (NL) Recce Battalion in Germany. With this experience, he can safely be called a recce expert. After his promotion to Sergeant Major in 1997, he held several positions in this rank.

Between '97 and '01 Koot was Sergeant Major Instructor with the 101st Remotely Piloted Vehicle Battery. Then, in 2001, he became Company Sergeant Major of a main battle tank company. This was the start of a sustained period with the Cavalry. In '04

Koot became Senior Operations & training NCO within 42nd Tank Battalion, after which he was Command Sergeant Major (CSM) at the Cavalry NCO / Officers School, Regimental Sergeant Major of 11th Tank Battalion and Command Sergeant Major at the Maneuver School (Infantry and Cavalry).

Before joining 1 (German/Netherlands) Corps in 2017, Koot also served as CSM with the Joint ISTAR Command (Intelligence, Surveillance Targeting Acquisition Reconnaissance) and the Combat Maneuver Training Centre.

The Warrant Officer has seen three deployments; to former Yugoslavia as a Company Sergeant Major and twice to Afghanistan. His first tour of Afghanistan was as Senior NCO Operations within the Provincial Reconstruction Team. The second time Koot went as the CSM of a Battle Group.

During his career, Koot completed numerous training courses successfully, including:

- Advanced and Senior Military Instructor's Course
- Sergeant Major and Warrant Officer Course
- CSM RSM Trainee
- Command Senior Enlisted Leader Course

Furthermore, he completed a study as a personal coach and career counselor.

Warrant Officer Andre Koot, together with his wife Marina, has two sons. In 2014, he was very proud to welcome his first grandchild, Benjamin. Besides spending time with his family, Koot frequently finds time for sports. He particularly enjoys cycling and mountain biking.