

## **Surgeon Captain Filippo La Rosa**

From 1994 to today as Medical Officer in SPE in the Maritime Military Medical Corps he has held the positions of Head of Health Service on board several Naval Units of the Navy (Libeccio , Ardito, Urania , Sphinx, Palinuro), He has held the position of Chief Health Service of the NATO Headquarters in FYROM (Skopje in 2000-2001) and in KOSOVO (PRISTINA 2003). From July 2005 until September 2008 he held the position of Head of the Health Section of the Italian Military Representation to NATO in MONS (Belgium). From 13 September 2010 until April 2013 he held the position of Head of the Dermatology Department of the Military Hospital Center of Taranto. From 1 January 2016, from September 2016 until August 2020 he held the position of Medical Advisor and Chief of the Medical Division of the Allied Maritime Command at Northwood (UK). Director of Marinferm Augusta and Health Coordinator for the Navy in Sicily from 2021 to 1 December 2024. From 9 December 2024 Head of the Forensic Medicine and Occupational Medicine Office of the Navy Health Inspectorate. Since 2025 Member(s) at the Central Medical Commission of 2nd degree Ministry of Transport. Full member of CML ASL RM 4 since November 2025. Delegate for the SMM for the medical section at the COE WG for the update of the UN COE Manual with participation in the work at the UN headquarters (January 2026).

He participated in the mission as part of the liberation of the motor ship Savina Caylin from Somali pirates (2011) for which he received a certificate of merit granted by the Municipality of Procida.

Specialist in dermatology and venereology, speaker and chair at numerous national and international conferences, he is Professor of Tropical Medicine at the Naval Academy and is co-author of the Vademecum of Prevention of Sexually Transmitted Infections, published on October 24. A Vademecum for the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases, which shines in scientific rigor, clarity of presentation and inclusive approach, adopting a language free of stigmatization in line with the principles of gender medicine, favoring risk identification, preventive strategies and early diagnosis.

Among other things, he participated in the scientific and humanitarian mission for the study and treatment of Buruli Ulcer in Benin (2004), providing a decisive and pioneering contribution to the evolutionary understanding of this insidious disease.

Researcher of the History of Military Medicine In 2011, on the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy, he managed the preparation of the historical exhibition "Military Hospital of Taranto 100 years at the service of the community", of which he ran the publication of the exhibition catalogue.