



In the future, NATO and Bundeswehr exercises must be geared more to the requirements of national and collective defence.

This is why the Bundeswehr will conduct Quadrige 2024, a series of large-scale exercises in Germany and abroad that are combined with planned exercises of its allies over a period of five months. Being the German contribution to the large-scale NATO exercise Steadfast Defender 2024, Quadrige 2024 is to show that the Bundeswehr is both determined and capable of making a decisive contribution to the defence of NATO's eastern flank. Besides alerting and deployment exercises, combined full-strength exercises will provide the opportunity to practise the rapid deployment of own forces to Norway, Lithuania or Romania and gain experience in land forces operations. Over the entire period of time, the Bundeswehr will also provide valuable support and protection to the armed forces of NATO partners whose deployment routes for troops and materiel pass through Germany.

This is a Bundeswehr-wide effort that includes everything from deployment organised by the Bundeswehr Homeland Defence Command to protective security provided by the Joint Support and Enabling Service and its MPs to transportation provided by the Air Force to the Army forces taking part in the actual exercise. Quadrige 2024 will thus also serve as a test to see if the different command and control structures are compatible with each other and all the cogs of the land forces are working together well. Land forces – these are the Army and all the forces in the Bundeswehr that enable the Army to prevail against an equal opponent in combat. Quadrige will be the perfect opportunity for them to demonstrate this ability.

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Quadriga 2024 will be the largest exercise of German land forces since Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. More than 12,000 troops will practise the alerting and deployment of national and multinational land forces. Germany thus makes a significant contribution to the deterrence along the eastern flank of the Alliance.

The exercise consists of several separate individual exercises. Once all participating forces have been alerted, the Rapid Response Forces Division (RRFD) will be the first to be deployed. In early 2024, they will train together with 23 Mountain Infantry Brigade in the Grand North exercise and subsequently practise combat under extreme weather conditions on NATO's northern flank as part of Nordic Response. At the same time, 41 Armoured Infantry Brigade will be certified for future land operations during the exercise Allied Spirit in Hohenfels.

For 1 Armoured Division, the exercise Grand Center in Central Europe will be the basis for the exercise Dragon, which will take place in Poland in March, and the US-led exercise Saber Strike in May. After that, the Division will put the newly introduced army force category medium forces to the test in Lithuania, while the RRFD's paratroopers will practice rapid deployment and operations on the southeastern flank of Europe within the context of the exercises Grand South and later on Swift Response.

The highlight and focus of 2024 will be Grand Quadriga, where 10 Armoured Division will practise the deployment and mechanised operations as one single force in Lithuania to make a visible contribution to reassure our Allies.

