

## **Category R: Civilian Broadcast Journalist of the Year Biography**

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Christian Marquardt has covered and produced stories on U.S. and multinational forces' training as a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> U.S. Army Joint Multinational Training Command's Public Affairs Office since August 2008.

As the senior broadcaster for U.S. Army in Bavaria –the heart of military training in Europe – Mr. Marquardt is responsible for producing audio-visual stories that offer a behind-the-scenes look into the programs and personalities that make the Grafenwoehr and Hohenfels Training Areas such an important part of the U.S. Army mission in Europe. He also is responsible for the command's online presence and for managing the office's Army National Guard Overseas Deployment Training teams.

Mr. Marquardt has set the standard for coordinated and targeted broadcast coverage of major military training events in Europe. He led a team of Army National Guard broadcast and print journalists in the week-long coverage of the USAREUR Expert Field Medical Badge testing, the first time the EFMB had ever been covered from the first to the last event. He also spearheaded the effort to cover various aspects of the month-long Full Spectrum Training Environment rotation in October, including a "Road to War" video production that received the praise of senior military leaders as one of the most comprehensive and clear explanations of a training program in the Army today.

Mr. Marquardt has over a decade of experience producing television and radio products for the military. He served as an audio-visual producer for two years with V Corps Imaging in Heidelberg, Germany, where his work was recognized by the Department of Army Visual Information community. Prior to his stint in Europe, he served in the U.S. Navy as the broadcast operations manager at the American Forces Network affiliate in Sasebo, Japan, where he covered naval operations from Korea to Thailand.

A proud Jawhawk from Emporia, Kansas, Mr. Marquardt holds a bachelor's degree in history from Gettysburg College, and a master's degree in international relations from the University of Oklahoma. He is also a graduate of the Defense Information School's Basic Journalism and Basic Broadcasting courses, as well as the Public Affairs Officer Qualification Course.