

Rear Admiral Gianluigi Reversi was born in Rome in 1963; he joined the Italian Navy in 1982 and eventually became a Midshipman in 1986 at the Naval Academy in Livorno, Tuscany. He has held different appointments since then serving on-board several warships, working as deputy officer and later on as chief of the Operational Department antisubmarine branch.

He was also dispatched in various missions such as the Iraq-Iran war (1988), the First Persian Gulf War (1992) as well as the Ex-Yugoslavian war (1993).

Furthermore, from 1993 to 1994 he was appointed Commander of the offshore patrol vessel Cassiopea. He was consequently embarked on-board the destroyer Luigi Durand De La Penne as Head of the Operational Department, taking part in the Sharp Guard NATO mission in the Adriatic Sea (1995).

Additionally, while in charge of the ITS Grecale command (a Maestrale frigate class) during 2003 and 2004, he participated in the Enduring Freedom and Active Endeavour missions. [1] He moved to holding the Flotilla's command of the 2nd Patrol Ship from August 2004 to October 2005.

While in charge of the ITS Cavour command from 2005 to 2010, he took part in the White Crane Mission in support for Haiti. Moreover, during his career he has been in charge of other numerous appointments in the H.R. field: deputy officer, head of one of the Naval Academy branches as well as teaching officer not only at the Naval Warfare College, but also at the Joint Services Staff College.

From 12th October 2010 to 14th September 2014 he acted first as the Executive Assistant Officer of the Italian Navy Chief of Staff and then as Communication Office Chief of the Italian Defence General Staff. Lastly he served as Defence Attachè in London until September 2017.

At the moment, he is in charge as Director at the Joint Services Staff College.

Yet, Rear Admiral Reversi graduated in Political Sciences from Trieste University and attended further courses at both the Naval Warfare College and the Joint Strategic Defence Institute. In 2014, he obtained a master's degree from Bocconi University on the "Executive Management of Public Administration" subject.

He also took legal advisory and CIMIC courses at the High Defence School. Finally, among the appointments he has been conferred on there are the following: title of Knight of the Italian Republic "Ordine al Merito", Silver Medal for Naval Merit, Long Sea Service Medal, 40 Years' Service Gold Cross and Kuwait Liberation Medal.

Rear Admiral Reversi is married to Barbara and they have two daughters.