

Col. John Ferrari serves as the deputy commander of programs for NATO Training Mission – Afghanistan, Combined Security Transition Command – Afghanistan, overseeing the CSTC-A multi-billion (\$11.6B) budget.

As such, he fills the roles and responsibilities of a brigadier general having direct oversight of Afghan National Security Force programs and is responsible for generating and sustaining the ANSF by aligning resources to requirements in order to enable Afghan-led security.

Ferrari integrates infrastructure construction, equipment procurement, training contracts, and sustainment activities.

Additionally, he oversees the “Afghan First” program of local procurement that is designed to stimulate the development of manufacturing in Afghanistan in such sectors as construction and clothing. He is heavily involved with the initiative to provide contracts to local Afghan companies who in-turn produce Afghan products for the ANSF. He oversees the NTM-A contracting process to ensure we commit our resources in an efficient and responsible manner to build an enduring counter-insurgency capable ANSF.