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AROUND EUROPE

USACE in Europe wraps up FY11

WIESBADEN, Germany – Members of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District said farewell and welcomes two district commanders in less than six months, but that didn't stop them from executing an additional \$146.6 million over the previous fiscal year.

The Europe District closed the books on FY2011 wrapping up the fiscal year with 1,624 actions -- roughly \$674.2 million -- in spite of a workforce down 8 percent from the previous fiscal year.

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603rd opens doors to new AOC

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany – After nearly three years of construction, the 603rd Air and Space Operations Center team held a ribbon cutting for their new state-of-the-art facility here, Oct 7.

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USACE key in reshaping Hainerberg

WIESBADEN, Germany – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Europe District is helping to modernize and raise the quality-of-life for Soldiers and their families at the Hainerberg Housing area in Wiesbaden, Germany.

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US, Armenia observe anniversary

NERKIN SASNASHEN, Armenia – On Sept. 2, 1958, a U.S. Air Force C-130 out of Germany crashed just north of the small village here in a final act of bravery as the 17 Airmen aboard maneuvered the falling aircraft away from local civilians.

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USACE, FMWR celebrate new lodge

GRAFENWOEHR, Germany – As children sprinkled the entrance with rose petals, the U.S. Army Garrison Grafenwoehr invited everyone inside the doors of their newly-opened Army Lodge during a ribbon-cutting ceremony Sept. 19.

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Message From 

THE COMMANDER

Greetings!

It is an honor to serve as commander of Europe District. This district is strategically important in its service to the Nation and our allies throughout the European and Africa Command areas of operation. In my first 90 days of command, I have been busy meeting our team members and key partners. I have met many of you already and will continue to circulate throughout the district. I have been immensely impressed with what I have seen. I look forward to seeing you all in the months ahead.

My commitment to the District is to take care of People, support our Partners, and deliver quality Projects. Taking care of People ensures our DA Civilians, Local Nationals, Soldiers, and Family Members have the ability to perform at their best. Supporting our Partners ensures the needs of our customers, stakeholders, and contractors are met and we find Win-Win solutions. Project Delivery ensures we turn over quality facilities on schedule, on budget, safely, and transparently.

I'd like to commend the members of Europe District for great teamwork and dedication during the Fiscal Year End. FY11 was a banner year for the district, with 1,711 contract actions with total dollars of \$674,868,254. This exceeded our scheduled awards by 13 percent. In the last week of the fiscal year, 270 actions were completed totaling over \$180 million. Overall, the closeout went smoothly and it was very satisfying to ring in the new fiscal year at midnight on September 30th. Thank you all for a great team effort.

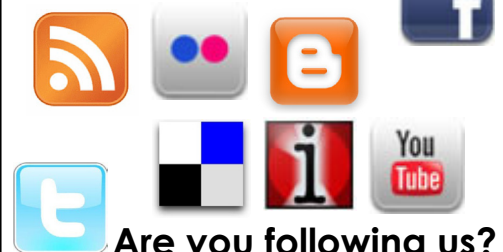
The District designates a Hero of the Battle several times a month to recognize outstanding efforts by individuals. Since my assumption of command, our Heroes have been Bridget Bracket, Jason Williams, Michael Carney, Robert Jordan, Heath Drako, Brad Schweitzer, and Tara Clark. I'd like to thank them all for a job well done.

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FEATURE

USACE employee has Bulgarian wedding

MELNIK, Bulgaria – Three orthodox priests blessed the marriage of Paul Farley, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District construction representative, living and working in Bulgaria, and his bride, Slavina Tyulenova Aug. 28, 2011 in the town of Melnik. The wedding day was filled with Bulgarian customs and rituals.



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Reserve engineers assist USACE with year-end work

WIESBADEN, Germany – As the 2011 fiscal year drew to a close, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District wrapped up with a little help from nine new friendly faces. The Army's 733rd Facility Engineer Detachment (EFD) out of Leavenworth, Kan., arrived in late August to assist the district's Installation Support Branch with year-end work. The reservists spent two weeks here, during the busiest time of year, providing support to ISB project managers and fulfilling their annual training requirement.

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- A. National Depression Awareness Month
- B. Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- C. Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- D. National Ergonomics Month
- E. Disability Employment Awareness Month
- F. National Cyber Security Awareness Month
- G. Energy Awareness Month

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NAU in the News

USACE Logistician, Fleet management in Europe

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