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Damien Arnaud has been the Head of Media Operations & Special Events for over 12 years and has just recently taken on a new portfolio as engagement officer in the Public Diplomacy Division. His responsibilities have included oversight of all media operations during eight of the last nine NATO Summits. Mr. Arnaud also contributed to the development of information environment assessments as the responsible manager for the Headquarters' media monitoring & analysis team. Prior to joining the Press Office, Mr. Arnaud served in the Operations Division at NATO HQ and in the Oil & Gas industry. He is educated in political science and business with specialty in international relations & Islam and earned degrees from the University of Toronto in Canada, Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service in Washington and the Pontifical Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies in Rome.