

»Slovenian Business Center – I feel Slovenia«

**Conference: »Business Opportunities in Slovenia «**

Under the Honorary Patronage of His Excellency the President of the Republic of Slovenia

Mr Borut Pahor

**Wednesday 2 November – Friday 4 November 2022**

Grand hotel Union (GHU), Ljubljana, Slovenia

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday 2 November 2022**

16:15 – 17:00 Registration

**PANEL 1: SPORTS POLICY AND STRATEGY IN SPORT, TOURISM**

**Moderator: Igor E. Bergant**

17:00 – 17:10 INTRODUCTION MODERATOR

**Welcome speech**

17:10 – 17:15 Franjo Bobinac, President of Handball Federation of Slovenia

17:15 – 17:20 Michael Wiederer, President of European Handball Federation

**Opening speech**

17:20 – 17:35 Matjaž Han, Minister of Economic development and Technology, Republic of Slovenia

17:35 – 17:45 Aleš Cantarutti, Director of Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia

**Business Opportunities in Slovenia:**

Presentation of Emonika project and New Business opportunities

17:45 – 17:55 Zoran Janković, Mayor of the City of Ljubljana

17:55– 18:05 Pal Forgacs, CEO Mendota Invest

18:05 – 18:50 **Roundtable Discussion: Economic, Sport and Tourism Opportunities:** Michael Wiederer; Franjo Bobinac; Anita Stojčevska, CEO, SKB Bank; Aleš Cantarutti, Maja Pak, Zoran Janković

18:50 – 19:00 Welcome to Slovenia, the green sport destination! by Maja Pak, Director of Slovenian Tourist Board, Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022

19:00 – 20:30 Welcome reception, Grand foyer GHU

**Thursday 3 November 2022**

8:15 – 9:00 Registration

**9:00 – 13:15 PANEL 2: ENERGY**

**Moderator: Igor E. Bergant**

9:00 – 9:10 INTRODUCTION MODERATOR

9:10 – 9:25 Opening speech: Alenka Bratušek, State Secretary, Ministry of Infrastructure, Republic of Slovenia

9:30– 9:40 Tomaž Orešič, Vice President of Resalta

9:45 – 9:55 Sebastijan Seme, Dean, Faculty of Energy Technology, University of Maribor (tbc)

10:00 – 10:10 Milan Vasiljevic, Sales Executive, Maersk Adria

10:15 – 10:25 Ana Struna Bregar, CEO, Sustainable Business Network Slovenia

10:30 – 11:15 Coffee break

**11:15 – 11:20 Moderator: Igor E. Bergant**

11:20 – 11:30 Mile Dragič, Owner and Head Engineer, Sigma Energy

11:35– 11:45 Iztok Seljak, Chief Managing Director of Hidria Holding d.o.o. and Honorary Consul of Hungary in Slovenia

11:50 – 12:25 **Round table discussion Q&A** (Vanja Lombar, Energy Industry Expert, Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022; Violeta Bulc, former EU Commissioner for Transport, Ecocivilization (tbc).

12:30 – 13:55 Lunch break

**14:00 – 17:30 PANEL 3: SUSTAINABILITY, NEW TECHNOLOGIES, ECOLOGY**

**Moderator: Igor E. Bergant**

14:00 – 14:05 INTRODUCTION MODERATOR

14:05 – 14:10 Carsten Philipsen, Honorary Consul of the Republic of Slovenia in Denmark

14:15 – 14:25 Opening panel speech: Ladeja Godina Košir, Founder and Executive Director of Circular Change (tbc)

14:30– 14:40 Tanja Sobotič Levanič, Corporate Affairs Director, Pivovarna Laško Union and

Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022

14:45– 14:55 Rok Capl, Director, SPIRIT, Slovenia Business Development Agency

14:55 – 15:15 Gašper Pavli, SportMediaFocus, Sustainability and sport events

15:20 – 15:35 Lars Lindskov, CEO Lindskov Communication, Danish sustainability model - economy

15:40 - 16:15 Coffee break

**Moderator: Igor E. Bergant**

16:15 – 16:35 Lars Lindskov, CEO Lindskov Communication, Danish sustainability model - economy

16:35 – 16:50 Maša Klemenčič, Slovenian Tourist Board, Strategy of sustainable tourism in Slovenia

16:55 – 17:45 **Round table discussion Q&A** (Nina Meglič, National coordinator of SRIP – Circular Economy; Nena Dokuzov, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology; Matej Feguš, CEO Donar; Marko Maver, Member of the Cabinet of the Minister of Environment and Spatial planning, Republic of Slovenia; Igor Šoltes, Former Member of the European Parliament; Bor Rozman, President of the Organising Committee Women's EHF EURO 2022)

17:45 – 18:45 B2B, Networking opportunities with Slovenian and international companies

18:45 – 20:00 Reception – Culinary discoveries of Slovenia

### Friday 4 November 2022

8:15 – 9:00 Registration

#### **9:00 – 13:15 PANEL 4 EMPOWERING WOMEN:**

Moderator: **Maja Zalaznik**, Full professor (International business and Head of the International Business program at the Faculty of Economics), University of Ljubljana and Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022

9:00 – 9:05 INTRODUCTION MODERATOR

9:05 – 9:10 Opening panel speech: Tanja Fajon, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Slovenia

9:15– 9:25 Tanja Skaza, Co- founder Plastika Skaza, Founder Institut Skaza (tbc)

9:30– 09:40 Melanie Seier Larsen, Boston Consulting Group, Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022 (tbc)

09:45 – 09:55 Jerneja Jug Jerše, Head of European Commission Representation in Slovenia

10:00– 10:10 Hedvika Usenik, Member of the Management Board, NLB

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 11:10 Katarina Karlovšek, Director RTA agency, Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022

**11:15 – 11:45 Round table discussion Q&A** with Marta Bon, Professor at the Faculty of Sport, University of Ljubljana, Coordinator EHF EURO 2022 Women Ambassadors; Deja Doler Ivanović, Sport Director, Ambassador Women's EHF EURO 2022; Anja Frešer, Women's national teams Manager, Handball Federation of Slovenia

11:50 – 12:00 Wrap up – conference closure, Bor Rozman, President of the Organising Committee Women's EHF EURO 2022

12:15– 13:15 Buffet lunch

END OF THE CONFERENCE