



ARAB SLOVENIAN BUSINESS CLUB

Program of the Conference

Bridges between Saudi Arabia and Slovenia: Investments, Innovations, Partnerships

Venue: Grand Plaza Hotel Ljubljana / IEDC-Bled School of Management

Dates: 14–16 October 2025

Languages: English / Arabic / Slovenian (simultaneous interpretation provided)

Tuesday, 14th October 2025 – Investment, Finance & Development Conference

Host: Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Slovenia

Venue: Grand Plaza Hotel, Ljubljana

Focus: Presentation of both economies and investment opportunities

09:00–10:00 – Official Welcome and Opening Remarks

- H.E. Mr. Klemen Boštjančič, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Slovenia and Vice-President of the National Assembly
- Representative of the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia in Vienna
- Major General Dobran Božič, State Secretary, Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia
- Mr. Miran Gajšek, State Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources and Spatial Planning
- Mr. Rok Tomšič, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs
- Saudi-Slovenian Business Council (Riyadh)
- Arab-Slovenian Business Club (Ljubljana)

10:00–12:30 – Institutional Presentations (TBC)

- Ministries (Finance, Foreign and European Affairs, Natural Resources and Spatial Planning, Defence)
- Selected municipalities and regions (City of Ljubljana, City of Nova Gorica, ...)
- Saudi investment opportunities (Ministry of Investment – MISA, Public Investment Fund – PIF, ...)
- Representatives of the tourism, real estate, and banking sectors (Slovenia and Saudi Arabia)

12:30–14:00 – Lunch & Networking



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14:00–15:30 – B2B Meetings (Grand Plaza Hotel)

18:00–20:00 – Guided Tour of Ljubljana

21:00 – Gala Dinner & Cultural Programme (Ljubljana Castle)

Wednesday, 15 October 2025 – Business Opportunities Conference

Host: Ministry of the Economy, Tourism and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia

Venue: IEDC-Bled School of Management, Bled

Focus: Presentation of economic landscapes and business opportunities

09:00–10:00 – Transfer from Ljubljana to Bled

10:30–11:00 – Official Welcome and Opening Remarks

- H.E. Mr. Matjaž Han, Minister of the Economy, Tourism and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia
- Saudi delegation representative (TBC)
- Mr. Anton Mežan, Mayor of the Municipality of Bled
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia (GZS)
- Chamber of Craft and Small Business of Slovenia (OZS)
- Slovenian Tourist Board (STO)
- SPIRIT Slovenia – Public Agency for Entrepreneurship, Internationalization, Foreign Investments and Technology

11:00–12:30 – Sector Panels (TBC)

- Food & Agri-Tech
- Tourism & Wellness
- Industry & Technology
- IT & Artificial Intelligence
- Education
- Construction & Wood Industry
- Automotive & Defence

12:30–13:30 – Lunch



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14:00–15:00 – Sector Panels (continued, TBC)

- Food & Agri-Tech
- Tourism & Wellness
- Industry & Technology
- IT & Artificial Intelligence
- Education
- Construction & Wood Industry
- Automotive & Defence

15:00–16:00 – Guided Visit of Bled

16:00 – Departure from Bled to Ljubljana

Evening – Dinner & Cultural Exchange (hosted by the Saudi Delegation)

Thursday, 16 October 2025 – B2B, Company & Tourist Visits, Closing Event

Venue: To be confirmed (Ljubljana & surrounding regions)

Focus: B2B meetings, company visits, and tourism showcase

09:00–12:00 – B2B Meetings / Company Visits

12:00–13:00 – Lunch

13:00–16:00 – Visits of Tourist and Industrial Sites (TBC)

17:00 – Closing Remarks

This draft agenda is respectfully submitted for your kind review and confirmation. We warmly welcome your comments and suggestions so that the final version may be jointly adopted. Together, we look forward to shaping a landmark conference that will strengthen bridges between the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Republic of Slovenia.



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