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Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia



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Dear participants of the 12th EUSDR Annual Forum,
the Slovenian Presidency of the EUSDR welcomes you to Slovenia!

VENUE OF THE 12TH ANNUAL FORUM

The Annual Forum will take place on 24 and 25 October 2023 at Congress Centre Brdo, Brdo pri Kranju (Slovenia).

Address of the venue

Brdo Congress Centre
Predoslje 39
4000 Kranj
Slovenia

<https://brdo.si/en/objekti/congress-center-brdo/>



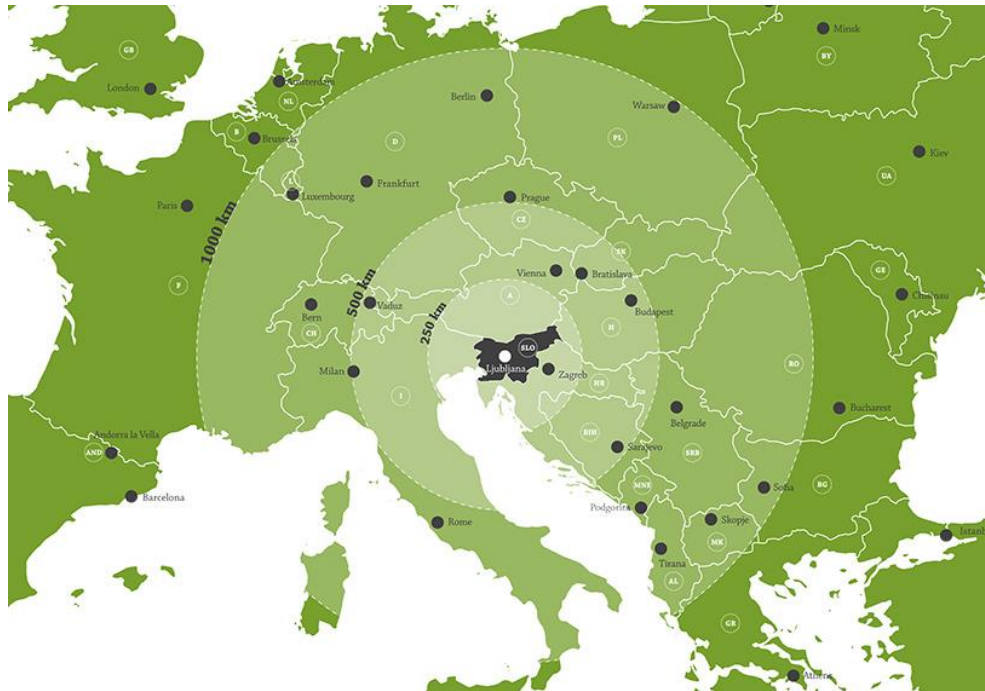
Below we are sharing some general logistical information to ease your travels to the Congress Centre.



ARRIVING TO SLOVENIA

The main arrival point to Slovenia from abroad is the Jože Pučnik Airport of Ljubljana.

There are, of course, several options – flying, train or bus. Most options will lead you to Ljubljana's main bus and train station or the Jože Pučnik airport of Ljubljana.



Arriving at Ljubljana airport

Should you choose to travel to Ljubljana airport, there are several options to continue your journey to the city of Ljubljana and then towards Brdo pri Kranju.

A public bus (bus stop number 28) runs between the airport and the city of Ljubljana. The journey takes 45 minutes, costs around 5 € (an ATM is available outside the arrival terminal), and you can buy your tickets directly from the driver or online - [here](#).

The second option is the Nomago shuttle – link [here](#), which costs 12€ and also departs every hour (we recommend reserving the ride in advance).

Taxi is another option. There are generally several taxis waiting outside the airport, and travelling one-way costs approximately 43-45€ (the charge is lower when taxis are ordered by phone). The drivers generally take credit cards, but please mention at the beginning that you will be paying with a credit card, so you still have time to visit the ATM if the driver doesn't take cards (it is unlikely). More about taxis [here](#) (we recommend [Taxi Metro](#), [City Taxi](#) or [Taxi Laguna](#)). We do not have Uber in Slovenia.

GETTING TO BRDO PRI KRANJU

The Brdo pri Kranju Congress Centre is located next to the settlement of Predoslje, near the Gorenjska highway. The Congress Centre has no direct connection to and from Ljubljana airport, so there are several other options available.

Arriving by car

→ If you are coming from the highway from the direction of Jesenice, use the exit Kranj - Zahod. Then turn towards Kokrica and follow the brown Grad Brdo signs, leading you to the Brdo Estate after about 2 km.



→ If you are coming from the highway **from the direction of Ljubljana**, take the Kranj - Vzhod exit and also follow the brown Grad Brdo signs, which will bring you to the Brdo Estate after about 8 km. The Brdo estate is about 30 km from Ljubljana.

→ **From the direction of Jože Pučnik airport**, we advise you to go towards Kranj, where you follow the direction signs for Predoslje and then the brown signs for Grad Brdo. The airport is approximately 10 km from the Brdo estate.

Road tax e-vignettes must be purchased when using Slovenian motorways. Vignettes can be purchased online ([here](#)) or at petrol stations located in the border areas of Slovenia's neighbouring countries and all other petrol stations.

Parking

There is a large free parking lot at the Brdo Congress Centre.

TRAVELLING FROM LJUBLJANA CITY CENTRE TO BRDO CONGRESS CENTRE

Arranged transportation from Ljubljana for Forum participants

In order to make travel more sustainable, the Slovenian EUSDR Presidency has arranged free bus transport from Ljubljana city centre to the Brdo Congress Centre during the Annual Forum for the Forum participants.

Upon registration opening at the beginning of September, participants will be able to reserve a place for free transport from Ljubljana to Brdo Congress Centre and back.

The transport will be running on 24 and 25 October and stopping at three pickup locations (maps below).

Running times

On **24 October 2023**, the buses will be picking up passengers every 10 minutes between 8.15 and 8.45 and from 11.15 to 11.45. The buses will be returning to Ljubljana between 20.30 and 21.00.

On **25 October 2023**, the buses will be picking up passengers between 8.15 and 8.40. The buses will be returning to Ljubljana between 17.00 and 17.45.

Pickup locations

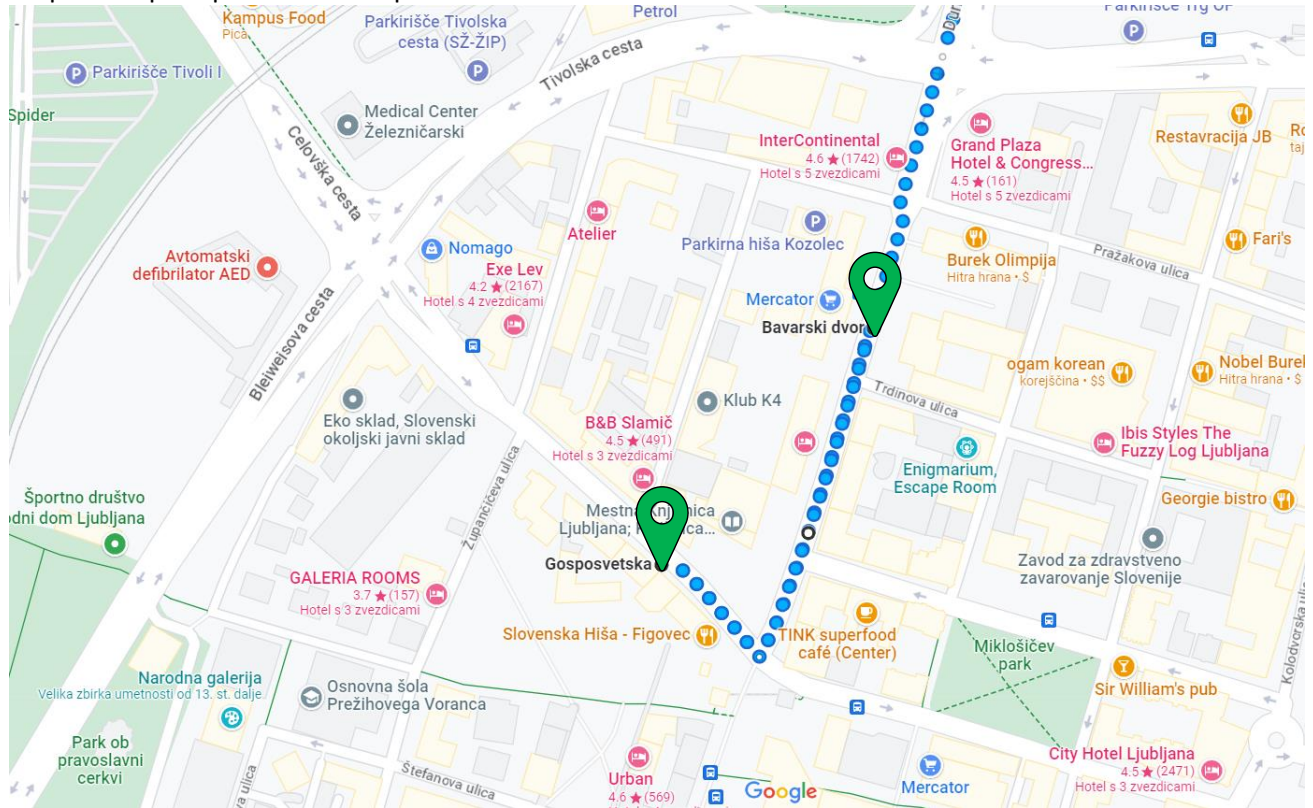
The free bus transport to the 12th EUSDR Annual Forum will be picking up participants at the following pickup locations:

- [Gospodsvetska bus stop](#) in the direction of the city centre (**200 m from Hotel Exe Lev** at Vošnjakova ulica 1, 1000 Ljubljana)
- [Bus stop Bavarski dvor](#) in the direction from the city centre, near Grand Hotel Plaza (Slovenska cesta 60, 1000 Ljubljana) and across the street from Hotel Intercontinental (Slovenska cesta 59, 1000 Ljubljana)
- [Bus stop Smelt](#) in front of the Austria Trend Hotel (Dunajska cesta 154, 1000 Ljubljana)

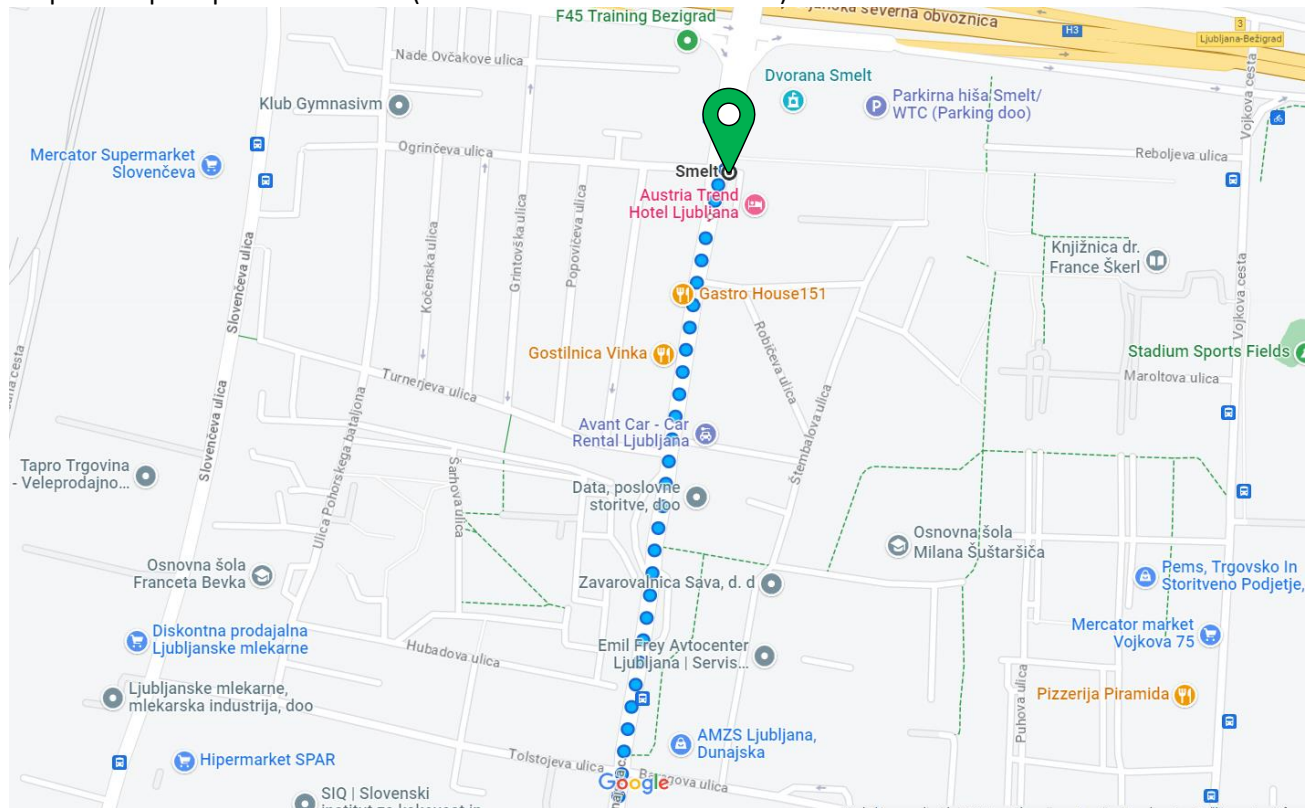
Please note that the exact timings of the departures will be shared with the registered participants in the days leading up to the 12th Annual Forum.



Map of the pickup locations Gosposvetska and Bavarski dvor:



Map of the pickup location Smelt (in front of Austria Trend Hotel):





Arriving by taxi

From Ljubljana airport to Brdo Congress Centre

There are generally several taxis waiting outside the airport, and travelling to Brdo one-way costs approximately 18-20€. The drivers generally take credit cards, but please mention at the beginning that you will be paying with a credit card, so you still have time to visit the ATM if the driver doesn't take cards (it is unlikely). More about taxis [here](#) (we recommend [Taxi Metro](#), [City Taxi](#) or [Taxi Laguna](#)).

From Ljubljana to Brdo Congress Centre

Another option to get to Brdo Congress Centre is a taxi (we recommend [Taxi Metro](#), [City Taxi](#) or [Taxi Laguna](#)). We do not have Uber in Slovenia. The distance between Ljubljana and the Brdo Congress Centre is 36 km.

Not flying to Ljubljana? Try flying to Vienna (Austria) or Zagreb (Croatia).

Vienna → when flying directly to Vienna, you can take [Flixbus](#) from Vienna to Ljubljana (takes about 5 hours). Please note that the departing station of the bus is **not** Vienna Airport but Vienna Erdberg (P&R bus station – to get there, you take the airport Flixbus number 901, which takes 15 minutes and costs max. 6€). From Ljubljana, you can then travel to Brdo by car, bus or taxi.

Zagreb → from Zagreb airport, you need to travel to Zagreb's main bus station with the bus shuttle – link [here](#), it costs 6 €. You can then take a Flixbus to Ljubljana, which lasts around 2.5 hours. If you wish to travel by train, the trip to Ljubljana from Zagreb takes 2 to 6 hours (more [here](#)). From Ljubljana, you can then travel to Brdo by car, bus or taxi.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are requested to make their own accommodation arrangements. We recommend using hotel web platforms to find suitable accommodation according to your preferences.

The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia made a preliminary booking for a limited number of rooms at Elegans Hotel at Brdo.

Reservations can be made through their web page:

<https://brdo.si/en/domov/>. When making the reservation, please mention that the rooms are booked for **EUSDR**.

Please note that the deadline for booking the accommodation at Elegans Hotel Brdo is **15 September 2023**. After this date, the preliminary booked rooms will be offered to the public.





Accommodation in Ljubljana

There are several hotels in Ljubljana (city centre) near the free bus pickup locations:

- GRAND HOTEL UNION EUROSTARS (www.grandhotelunioneurostars.com)
- EUROSTARS UHOTEL (www.eurostarsuhotel.com)
- HOTEL SLON (www.hotelslon.com)
- EXE LEV (www.exelev.com)
- AUSTRIA TREND HOTEL (<https://www.austria-trend.at/en>)
- INTERCONTINENTAL (<https://intercontinental-ljubljana.si/>)
- HOTEL CITY (<https://www.cityhotel.si/en/>).

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments: will be provided at the venue on both days.

Lunch: will be available on the first and second days of the event (24 and 25 October 2023)

Dinner: will be available on the first day of the event (24 October 2023).

ACCREDITATIONS & SECURITY CHECK

Registrations open on 4 September. All Forum participants will be accredited and receive the accreditation at the accreditation desk (more info on the accreditations will follow after registration is completed). Information about the venue security check at the venue will be shared with registered participants in due time.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Should you have any additional questions about the organisational matters, do not hesitate to contact us at slovenian-eusdr.presidency@gov.si.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Time

Slovenia belongs to the Central European Time Zone (CET: GMT+1).

Currency & credit cards

The currency in Slovenia is the euro (€). Major credit cards are accepted at most points of sale. The most widely used credit cards in Slovenia are MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Diners Club.

Electricity

The electricity supply in Slovenia is 220-240V.

More information about Slovenia can be found at www.slovenia.si and www.slovenia.info, more information about Ljubljana is available at www.ljubljana.si/en.



USEFUL ADDRESSES AND LINKS

Ljubljana Jože Pučnik Airport

Aerodrom Ljubljana, d.d.

Zg. Brnik 130 a, SI-4210 Brnik-aerodrom

T: +386 4 206 1981 (information for passengers)

T: +386 4 206 1000

E: info@fraport-slovenia.si

Website: <https://www.lju-airport.si/en/>

Ljubljana Bus Station

Avtobusna postaja Ljubljana, d.d.

Trg OF 4, SI-1000 Ljubljana

T: +386 1 234 4600 (information about bus ticket prices)

E: narocanje@ap-ljubljana.si, avtobusna.postaja@ap-ljubljana.si

Website: <https://www.ap-ljubljana.si/en/>

Ljubljana Railway Station

Slovenske železnice, d.o.o

Kolodvorska 11, SI-1506 Ljubljana

T: +386 1 29 13 3322

E: potnik.info@slo-zeleznice.si

Website: <https://potniski.sz.si/en/>