

Info Day on the EU Innovation Fund in Slovenia

25 January 2024 | 08:45 – 13:15

*Lila Hall at the University of Ljubljana, School of Economics and Business,
Kardeljeva ploščad 17, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia*

The Slovenian Business and Research Association (SBRA) in cooperation with the Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy, the Ministry of Economy, Tourism and Sport, the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA) and the University of Ljubljana, School of Economics and Business are organising a Slovenian Innovation Fund Info Day on the 25 January 2024. Warmly welcome to attend this important event!

Program

*The conference will be moderated by Dr. Draško Veselinovič,
President of the Management Board, Slovenian Business & Research Association (SBRA)*

08:15 – 08:45 Registration of participants

08:45 – 09:05 Welcome and keynote speeches

- *Organiser: Dr. Draško Veselinovič, President of the Management Board, Slovenian Business & Research Association (SBRA)*
- *Host: Prof. Dr. Tomaž Turk, Dean, University of Ljubljana, School of Economics and Business*
- *Keynote speech 1: Bojan Kumer, Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy*
- *Keynote speech 2: Matevž Frangež, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy, Tourism and Sport*

09:05 – 09:55 Detailed presentation of the Innovation Fund, including important changes and novelties

- *Joao Serrano-Gomes and Renata Kadrić, European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA)*

09:55 – 10:10 Questions & Answers

After the presentation and the Q&A session, representatives from CINEA will be available for individual consultations in a dedicated room

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- 10:10 – 10:15** The Vanguard Initiative and the Hydrogen Pilot
- *Dr. Draško Veselinovič, President of the Management Board, SBRA*
- 10:15 – 10:45** Hydrogen opportunities and possibilities in Slovenia
- *Dr. Blaž Likozar, National Institute of Chemistry*
- 10:45 – 11:00** Coffee break
- 11:00 – 11:15** Presentation of the Innovation Fund's winning project EAVORLOOP
- *Stephan Gebhardt, EAVOR, Germany*
- 11:15 – 11:20** Questions & Answers
- 11:20 – 11:35** Presentation of the Innovation Fund's winning project KODECO Net Zero
- *Julija Škoro, Holcim, Croatia*
- 11:35 – 11:40** Questions & Answers
- 11:40 – 11:50** Decarbonization and the Slovenian steel industry
- *Slavko Kanalec, Slovenian Steel Group*
- 11:50 – 12:00** Presentation of Pipistrel's contribution to Clean aviation projects
- *Žiga Kreuzer, Gregor Tavčar in Andrej Bernard Horvat, Pipistrel Vertical Solutions d.o.o*
- 12:00 – 13:15** Roundtable discussion: Decarbonization, hydrogen, energy strategy of Slovenia and the EU
- *Moderator: Uroš Vajgl, State Secretary, Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy*
 - *Dr. Blaž Likozar, National Institute of Chemistry*
 - *Stane Merše, M.Sc., Jožef Stefan Institute*
 - *Assoc. Prof. Dr. Matej Švigelj University of Ljubljana, School of Economics and Business*
 - *Jerneja Sedlar, HSE Group and representative of the North Adriatic Hydrogen Valley*
 - *Maja Tomanič-Vidovič, M.Sc., Slovenian Enterprise Fund*
- 13:15** Concluding remarks
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