Conference Theme
Knowledge, Skills & Commitment –
Core Elements to Manage Care

2ND ANNOUNCEMENT
Preliminary Programme and Call for Abstracts
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WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues & Friends,

It is with great pleasure and pride that we invite you to join us in Ljubljana where our 49th EDTNA/ERCA International Conference, September 12–15, 2020 will take place. Ljubljana is Slovenia’s capital and its largest city, which is known for its university population and green spaces.

The theme of our Conference is “Knowledge, Skills & Commitment – Core Elements to Manage Care”. During the last two International Conferences, 2018 and 2019 our focus has been on ‘Balancing Compassion and Health Technologies’ and it’s integration. The next step is to Manage Care through the implementation of education and knowledge, which we hope you will acquire during the Conference while participating in our Scientific Programme, which will include Educational Sessions, Oral Poster Sessions, and Workshops.

Our Conference will take place at the Cankar Centre also known as Cankarjev Dom or Cankar Hall. Cankarjev Dom is the largest Slovenian convention, congress and culture centre. The building was designed by the architect Edvard Ravnikar and was built between 1977 and 1982.

The Conference is a forum for sharing knowledge, experience, research and innovations as well as the aiming to promote renal research and excellence in practice around the world. It is a showcase for the latest technology and innovation in the treatment and care with of patients with Chronic Kidney Disease.

For all of you there is a great opportunity to broaden your professional horizon, to meet our Industry Partners at the Exhibition, to share knowledge and experiences among each other, meet old friends, and extend your network by meeting new ones as well.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Ljubljana!

With warm regards,

Edita Noruišienė
EDTNA/ERCA President
WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING AT THE CONFERENCE?

An excellent opportunity to:
- Share and gain knowledge
- Build up your skills by presenting your work
- Acquire the International Continuing Nursing Education Credits (ICNECs), an added value to your CV
- Take an active part in workshops
- Be updated on EDTNA/ERCA activities and projects
- Get the chance to attend the Annual General Meeting
- Be able to enjoy a year’s Membership rights upon Conference registration
- Meet Industry Partners who will be more than pleased to introduce you to their new products

COMMITTEES

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Accreditation of Learning Hours
The 49th EDTNA/ERCA International Conference will be accredited. To ensure a maximum quality of education through a professional Scientific Programme, EDTNA/ERCA intends to obtain International Continuing Nursing Education Credits (ICNEC) for the International Conference in Ljubljana. The ICNECs are granted by the International Council of Nurses once strict admission conditions are fulfilled.

The ICNEC awards provide proof of a high-quality Conference. EDTNA/ERCA makes its best effort to render such opportunity to its delegates and members, so the approval for awarding International Continuing Nursing Education Credits (ICNECs) is currently being sought from the International Council of Nurses. Details of the sessions eligible for accreditation points will be published on the Conference website in August – www.edtnaerca.org.

ICNEC certificate will be provided upon the submission of the Conference Evaluation form.

Conference Badges
Each Conference Delegate and Exhibitor will receive a Conference badge upon registration. The Conference badge must be worn during the entire Conference to be able to enter the Scientific Sessions or the Exhibition and receive education accreditation when attending sessions. On your badge there is a barcode which will be scanned when entering and leaving each session hall.

Credits will be assigned according to the information received from the barcode system. This information is also used for safety reasons to register participants who are in the building in case of emergency. Therefore, it is important you present your badge at each session hall entrance.

Breaks
Coffee & tea will be provided during breaks. Lunch boxes will be provided at lunch time breaks on Sunday, September 13 and Monday, September 14.

Insurance
The Conference organizer cannot accept liability for personal injuries sustained or for loss or damage of property belonging to Conference participants, either during or as a result of the Conference. Please check the validity of your own insurance.

Letter of Invitation
The organizers will be pleased to send a letter of invitation upon request, once your registration form and fee have been received. Such an invitation is intended to help you to raise travel funds or obtain a visa. It is not a commitment on the part of the Conference to provide any financial support. You may request such a letter from the Conference Department at edtnaerca2020@guarant.cz.

Mobile Application
The Mobile Application will be available before the Conference and for download via Google and Apple store. You can use it to prepare your personal Conference programme, download abstracts, posters, participate in Conference surveys, vote for the best poster and for other useful information.

A number of functions for feedback and participation are possible: i.e. delegates may send questions or comments to the speakers during the sessions, may rate speakers, presentations and sessions, may give feedback on the Conference, and more E-Poster rating will be available for Conference participants via Conference Application for mobile phones.

The Mobile Application will be updated with news and any programme changes during the Conference.

Official Language
All oral presentations and posters must be in English. Special sessions might be organized in languages other than English and without translation. All hostesses and Conference staff speak English and other languages.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) of EDTNA/ERCA
Many delegates are members of EDTNA/ERCA; the Association is taking the opportunity to hold its Annual General Meeting; all are invited, members, delegates and all interested in the work of EDTNA/ERCA. Please kindly note only those of the membership category “Member” can submit motions and vote.

(link to Constitution 2018)

Please feel most welcome at the AGM and visit www.edtnaerca.org
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The Scientific Programme will be scheduled in the best way to allocate all presentations and workshops putting special attention not to allocate the same topics in parallel sessions. We want to give you the opportunity to attend the maximum sessions of your interest!

There will be two types of Parallel Oral Sessions:
1. Sessions with Guest Speakers will have the following structure: Guest Speaker presentation + two oral presentations + three short oral presentations.
2. Sessions without Guest Speakers will have the following structure: Four oral presentations + three short oral presentations. The aim is to invite and involve leading renal nurses and practitioners as Guest Speakers.

Session timings:
• Guest Speakers = 30 min including questions
• Oral Session = 15 min including questions
• Short Oral Session = 10 min including questions

At the Conference 2020 the E-poster approach will be maintained. The E-posters on interactive screens will be on display during the entire Conference.

Poster Sessions will be organized for the authors who wish to present their E-posters. An E-poster Session of 90 minutes will have 10 E-posters for presentation (5 minutes of presentation time each).

The Scientific Programme will provide several workshops on different topics: the aim is to offer a more practical and interactive approach to renal care issues.

During all sessions the audience may ask questions not only orally, but also using the App.
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION & CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

THE TOPICS FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION ARE:
Caring for the Well-being of Renal Healthcare Professionals
CKD-Prevention & Delay
Communication Skills NEW!
Conservative Renal Care
End of life care
Ethical, Psychological and Social Impact of CKD
Haemodialysis
Healthcare professionals Education
Home Therapies
Kidney Failure in Older People
Leadership for Renal Health Care Professionals
Multimorbidity in Renal Care
Nutrition
Open Forum
Paediatric Renal Care
Patient Education
Peritoneal Dialysis
Risk Management & Quality Improvement NEW!
Sustainability and Green approach NEW!
The Patient Experience NEW!
Transition from paediatric to adult care NEW!
Transplantation
Vascular Access

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Abstract submission must be made in English through the online system.

Abstract can be submitted here: https://edtnaerca2020.confea.net/en/user-zone

Guidelines on how to submit an Abstract are available on the EDTNA/ERCA website:
https://www.edtnaerca.org/conferences/conferences-ljubljana-2020/conferences-ljubljana-2020-call-for-abstracts

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the Conference Department at edtnaerca2020-abstracts@guarant.cz
## PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE, LJUBLJANA 2020

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2020 WILL INCLUDE

PLENARY & PARALLEL SESSIONS
Invited Guest Speakers will discuss the latest developments in renal care during the Plenary Sessions. Abstracts including the Short oral presentations will be selected for inclusion in the parallel sessions.

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS
Workshops provide the opportunity for delegates to extend their knowledge and skills through interactive discussion with experts to identify solutions for real problems in practice. All workshop participants will receive a certificate, sent by email after the Conference. Workshops are open to all registered delegates for free.

CORPORATE EDUCATION SESSIONS (CES)
These sessions are organized and sponsored by Industry Partners and provide opportunity for participants to access worldwide knowledge and expertise. The CES takes place in the Main Hall. Further details will be available in the 3rd Announcement and the Conference website and EDTNA/ERCA Newsletters.

LUNCH SYMPOSIA
These sessions are organized and sponsored by Industry Partners during the lunch time. At the beginning of the lunch symposium will be served lunch boxes for each participant. Further details will be available in the 3rd Announcement and on the Conference website and EDTNA/ERCA Newsletters.

LUNCH FORUM
These forums are the opportunity for delegates to attend a lunch session for oral communications in national languages.

JOINT SESSIONS
This year the joint sessions will give visibility to the collaboration between EDTNA/ERCA and other international associations, such as the American Nephrology Nurses Association and the European Society for Paediatric Nephrology.

E-POSTER PRESENTATIONS
All accepted E-posters will be displayed on digital screens during all the Conference days and abstracts will be included in the Abstract Book. Poster Sessions will be organized for authors who wish to present E-posters. An E-poster Session of 90 Minutes will have 10 E-posters for presentation (5 min of presentation time each), short questions are welcome via the Conference App.

BEST POSTER AWARD BY SCIENTIFIC BOARD
The E-posters will be evaluated for the “Best Poster Award” by the Scientific Board prior to the Conference.

BEST POSTER AWARD BY CONFERENCE DElegates
E-poster rating will be available for Conference participants via the Conference App for mobile phones. The award for the Best Poster chosen by Conference Delegates will be presented during the Closing Ceremony.

BEST SPEAKER AWARD BY CONFERENCE DElegates
Rating of the speakers will be available for Conference participants via the Conference App for mobile phones. The award for the Best Speaker chosen by Conference Delegates will be presented during the Closing Ceremony.

BEST MANUSCRIPT & BEST POSTER AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2020
Authors of all accepted Abstracts (oral, short oral and poster presentation) are encouraged to submit a full paper to be considered for the Manuscript Scholarship Award. Authors must be EDTNA/ERCA members. Manuscripts submitted must conform to the guidelines that will be sent to each successful abstract writer. No author(s) should receive more than one prize for the same work at the same Conference. The Manuscript Scholarship Award may be declared void if the manuscripts presented do not have an acceptable scientific level.
### BEST MANUSCRIPT AWARDS AWARDED DURING THE OPENING CEREMONY

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All winners will get a certificate.

### BEST POSTER AWARDS AWARDED DURING THE OPENING CEREMONY

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REGISTRATION

All participants must be registered. It is advised to register in advance. Any person who is not registered will not have access to the session halls and exhibition area.

Participants should not send any payments by bank transfer unless a Letter of Confirmation is received previously, and then state the variable symbol in the transfer information field. Payments without name and variable symbol cannot be identified and processed.

Participants are kindly requested to register in advance by completing and submitting the Registration Form with the appropriate fees. If your payment is not received before the deadline dates of July 1 or August 31, 2020, the regular or late fee respectively will be automatically applied for unpaid registrations or new requests.

AFTER AUGUST 31, 2020
Individual delegates are kindly requested to make all pending payments by credit card exclusively. Payment by bank transfer is not an available option after August 31, 2020.

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*Student fee is applicable until the age of 26 years, students shall submit a document of their school or university proving the age and student status when they register.

Note: Participant fees are subject of 22% of Slovenian VAT, payable as NET plus VAT. EDTNA/ERCA VAT registration is in process; taxable invoices are made after April 1, 2020 only. You may not apply for the Member participant fee if you are not a current Member. To become a member, register here: EDTNA/ERCA General member registration form.

To verify the membership status at any time please contact the EDTNA/ERCA Membership Administrator at Secretariat@edtnaerca.org

Participant Fees including:
• Admission to Scientific sessions, exhibition and poster area
• Conference bag, Final Programme
• Coffee & tea during breaks and 2 x lunch (September 13th and 14th, 2020)

HOW TO REGISTER
To register for the Conference, please fill in the on-line Registration Form (the registration form will be available on April 1st, 2020).

First please fill in the Personal Data Form and continue to registration by choosing the registration fee. During the registration process you will receive a password and automatically generated summary to your email address. Your password is the same for all on-line forms (Abstract submission, registration, hotel accommodation).

Upon submitting the Registration Form, you will receive a confirmation from the Conference Department within three working days.

Participants are kindly asked to make all the payments upon the Proforma Invoice received right after finishing the registration. Please state the Variable Symbol in the Payment details field. Payments without name and Variable Symbol cannot be identified and processed.
**Group Registration**

If you have a group of 5 or more participants, please send your request to the Conference Department at edtnaerca2020@guarant.cz.

**LETTER OF INVITATION**

The organizers will be pleased to send a letter of invitation upon request, once the payment for the registration fee has been received. Such an invitation is intended to help raising travel funds or obtaining a visa. It is not a commitment on the part of the Conference Organizer to provide any financial support. A delegate may request such a letter from the Conference Department at edtnaerca2020@guarant.cz.

**CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS**

All cancellations must be notified in writing (by mail, fax or email) to the Conference Department according to the following conditions:

- Refunds will be processed AFTER the Conference.
- Requests for refunds made after November 30, 2020 will not be considered.
- Registrants may transfer their registration to a colleague at any time. For any change of name an administration fee of 50 EUR will be charged.
- EDTNA/ERCA Membership fees are not refundable.

### Cancellation Charges

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If a change or cancellation made by a participant regarding registration or accommodation results in a refund, EDTNA/ERCA reserves the right to charge a 50 EUR handling fee.

**Registration Opening Hours**

All documents including registration packs (Conference bag, personal name badge & Final programme) will be handed out to registered participants during the following opening hours:

| SATURDAY, September 12, 2020  | 08:00–20:00 |
| SUNDAY, September 13, 2020    | 08:00–18:00 |
| MONDAY, September 14, 2020    | 08:00–18:00 |
| TUESDAY, September 15, 2020   | 08:00–14:00 |

**Jurisdiction**

EDTNA/ERCA Head Office is in Hergiswil, NW; the place of jurisdiction is in Stans, Switzerland.

**RESPONSIBILITY**

The participant acknowledges that he/she has no right to lodge damage claims against the organizers should the holding of the Conference be hindered or prevented by unexpected political or economic events or generally by force majeure, or should the nonappearance of speakers or other reasons necessitate programme changes. With registration, the participant accepts this proviso.

**STATEMENT by EDTNA/ERCA and DATA ADMINISTRATORS on Protection and Processing of Data**

Data administrators declare that they and their employees will collect, manage, handle and store any personal, professional or financial data for the constitutional remit of EDTNA/ERCA only, and according to Swiss Law, EU regulations and national law of contracted service providers involved. The collected and managed data shall not be used for commercial purposes or sold to third parties. Every person and entity involved has the right to get information from EDTNA/ERCA on his or her personal data collected and managed by EDTNA/ERCA and its partners at any time and ask for complete deleting.

Employees of the administrators or other individuals who process personal data under contract with the administrator and other persons are obliged to maintain the confidentiality all data as mentioned above, even after termination of employment or work. The leading legislation is the Swiss Federal Act on Data Protection (DPA; Law stated as at 01-Aug-2014), General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), implementation of 25.05.20 and national law of contracted service providers are involved.
HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

GUARANT International (further referred to also as the Conference Secretariat) has been appointed the official hotel accommodation agent and will gladly handle all related arrangements.

GUARANT International strongly advises all not to work with any unauthorized vendors/companies who may offer you hotel reservation services by phone / e-mail with “discounted conference rates” and try to obtain your personal data including credit card details.

List of Hotels
Information about rates will not be available until January 31.

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Please note that accommodation is not included in the registration fees.

Group Reservations
Group bookings cannot be made online as different terms and conditions apply. For further information on up-to-date availability and reservation, please contact the Conference Secretariat.

Individual Reservations
To make a hotel reservation, it is necessary to fill in the On-line Accommodation Form, which is the part of the On-line Registration Form. Your password is the same for both on-line forms.

Reservations will be processed on a “first come, first-served” basis. We recommend booking your accommodation by July 2020.

A full pre-payment is required to guarantee the reservation. After the full payment has been received, your hotel reservation will be confirmed in writing by e-mail. The full payment must be received on or before a payment due date, otherwise the reservation will be automatically cancelled.

Any change or cancellation of the hotel reservation must be sent in writing at Conference Secretariat. Do not contact hotels directly.

Extra expenses related to the hotel accommodation must be settled by the guests directly at the hotel reception before their check-out. Hotel may ask for guarantee of extras by credit card preauthorisation or paying deposit.

Cancellation Conditions
Information will be available on January 31.

Methods of Payment
Accommodation fees must be paid in EUR by one of the following methods:

1. Credit or Debit Card
For credit or debit card payments, please use the On-line Payment System. The system is accessible with the password that you received upon registration. The system accepts the following credit/debit cards: MasterCard/Eurocard, Visa and Diners Club.

2. Bank Transfer
The bank details including the 10-digit variable symbol will be automatically sent to your email address after submitting the accommodation form. Please note that payments without this variable symbol will not be identified and the accommodation will not be confirmed.

All bank transfer amounts should be minus bank charges. Any banking fees accrued from the transfer is the responsibility of each party.
HOTEL LOCATIONS

1. Best Western Premier Slon ****
2. M hotel ****
3. City hotel ***
4. B&B Hotel Ljubljana Park ***
5. Mrak ***
6. Meksiko ***
EXHIBITION & SPONSORSHIP

The EDTNA/ERCA gratefully acknowledges the support from all Industry Partners organizing Corporate Education Sessions, Workshops, support our Exhibition and any other educational support.

Why should you become a Partner and Exhibitor of the EDTNA/ERCA 2020?

MARKETING
The Exhibition can be the most effective marketing tool to increase awareness of your brand and products

NETWORKING
You will have an opportunity to meet and interact with many leading specialists from renal and pharmaceutical companies, manufacturers of materials and equipment and scientific publishers from all over the world

KNOWLEDGE
Exchange the latest products, technologies, information and expertises

The exhibition will be located in Grand reception hall.

FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT EXHIBITION & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES PLEASE CONTACT:
EDTNA/ERCA Exhibition & Sponsorship Management
Mr. Petr Brinčil / Sales Director
E-mail: brinčil@guarant.cz
Detailed exhibitor services kit can be obtained from Mr. Petr Brinčil.
WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN EDTNA/ERCA CORPORATE MEMBER?

To fully receive the benefits of the EDTNA/ERCA Membership, you need to be engaged with the Association and be a Corporate Member.

Corporate Membership is open to all Hospitals, Institutions and Companies. The Corporate Membership is a perfect way of keeping up to speed on all the Educational Projects of the Association.

As a Corporate Member you receive an extensive range of benefits. For more information please don’t hesitate to contact our Secretariat Manager Jana Kottanová – koktanova@associationhouse.cz or the President of the Association Edita Noruišienė – edita.noruišiene@edtnaerca.org.

THE BENEFITS

• To be a part of the EDTNA/ERCA Multidisciplinary Community with Personal Support from the EDTNA/ERCA Secretariat
• To Collaborate around joint Educational & Scientific Projects
• To have access to EDTNA/ERCA Research Projects
• To have the opportunity to exchange knowledge and expertise on a global level
• EDTNA/ERCA Memberships for 5 people
• To have access to Journal of Renal Care – Hard copy & Online
• Educational Courses & Materials – Hard copies & Online
• To have access to Electronic Library & Articles – Online
• To be able to collaborate in Projects Developments (Books, Apps)
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THE BENEFITS

- To be a part of the EDTNA/ERCA Multidisciplinary Association and get Personal Support from the EDTNA/ERCA Secretariat & Brand Ambassadors
- Reduced Conference Registration Fee at International Conferences and EDTNA/ERCA Seminars
- Take charge of your career and foster your Professional & Personal development
- Have your ‘say’ and be a part of the Association’s decisions
- Become a Volunteer and a leader of the Association
- Journal of Renal Care – Hard copy & Online
- Educational Courses & Materials – Hard copies & Online
- Access to Electronic Library & Articles – Online
- Opportunities to Collaborate in Projects Developments (Books, Apps)
- Access to EDTNA/ERCA Research Projects

STAY INSPIRED – STAY MOTIVATED – ENRICH YOUR LIFE – BECOME AN EDTNA/ERCA MEMBER

Membership Fees and Types

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Membership application: [https://www.edtnaerca.org/membership/how-to-join](https://www.edtnaerca.org/membership/how-to-join)
GOOD TO KNOW ABOUT LJUBLJANA

Ljubljana is the political and cultural heart of the Slovenian nation. It is an important European commercial, business, exhibition and congressional centre as well as the transport, science and education centre of Slovenia.

A PEOPLE-FRIENDLY CITY

As its inhabitants and numerous visitors will tell you, Ljubljana is, indeed, a people-friendly city. Categorised as a medium-sized European city, it offers everything a metropolis does yet preserves its small-town friendliness.

Its geographical position in the centre of Europe has determined Ljubljana as a natural meeting place for merchants and soldiers as well as – and more than once – peacemakers. The victors of the Napoleonic wars selected this peaceful city as the site of the Holy Alliance congress, which in 1821 sealed the European political geography for years to come.

THE OLD MEETS THE NEW

In Ljubljana the old meets the new; and it seems that history has spent all of the settlement’s five millennia preparing it to become the nation’s capital. It has managed to retain traces from all periods of its rich history; from the legacy of Roman Emona; through to the Renaissance, Baroque and Art Nouveau periods characterised in the house fronts and ornate doorways of the city centre, the romantic bridges adorning the Ljubljanica river, the lopsided rooftops and a park reaching deep into the city centre. Here eastern and western cultures met; and the Italian concept of art combined with the sculptural aesthetics of Central European cathedrals.

The city owes its present appearance partly to Italian baroque and partly to Art Nouveau, which is the style of the numerous buildings erected immediately after the earthquake of 1895. In the first half of the 20th century, modern Ljubljana was shaped by the strong personal style of Jože Plečnik, a great European architect and a local of Ljubljana. The cityscape was complemented by his modernist followers as well as by creations of the “New Wave” of acknowledged young architects. All the different facets of Ljubljana blend harmoniously into a single image.

A CITY OF CULTURE

Ljubljana is a city of culture. It is home to numerous theatres, museums and galleries, and boasts one of the oldest philharmonic orchestras in the world. The first music society in Slovenia, the Academia Philharmonicorum, was founded in 1701. It was a vehicle for baroque music and also facilitated the development of musical production in this region. Its honorary members included such renowned composers as Joseph Haydn, Ludwig van Beethoven and Johannes Brahms, and distinguished musicians such as the violinist Nicolo Paganini. Between 1881 and 1882, at the very start of his career, Gustav Mahler was its resident conductor.

For the people of Ljubljana culture is a way of living and thinking and is very much a part of everyday life. Over 10,000 cultural events take place in the city every year, among which there are 10 international festivals. The inhabitants of Ljubljana and its visitors can admire artists from all the different fields – from music, theatre and fine arts to the alternative and avant-garde. In warmer months, the tables and chairs of the numerous cafés fill the banks of the Ljubljanica and the old city markets. It is here, after an almost obligatory Saturday visit to the Ljubljana market or the Sunday flea market, that the locals meet for a morning coffee or for an evening chat with friends.

A MODERN AND LIVELY CITY

The first impression a visitor gets of Ljubljana is that it is an exceptionally young city. It is home to over 50,000 students, who give it a special vibe. As four Slovene regions meet in Ljubljana, the city’s numerous restaurants and inns offer a wide range of local delicacies, not to mention superb wines. Ljubljana did not earn the label of “the city of wine and vine” for nothing. In the past it was the wine-trading centre of the region and grapevines were planted on the slopes leading up to the present-day castle by the inhabitants of the Roman settlement of Emona. Today scientists are drawn to the city because of its high-calibre institutes and university, as are artists due to its world-famous graphic biennial, art academy and countless art galleries. International businessmen, economists and experts from all fields frequently attend the city’s many business and congressional meetings, exhibitions and trade fairs.

In short: Ljubljana is a city that people often return to, be it because of work or because of pleasant memories of previous visits. It is similar to a number of other pleasant European cities – yet it is different – and if you want to be fully assured that Ljubljana is an interesting, pretty and friendly place then just ask the locals – they love it. And with a name that, according to one theory, means beloved, how could they do otherwise?