



General Meeting
of the
British-Slovenian Chamber of Commerce

19 - 26 April 2024, online

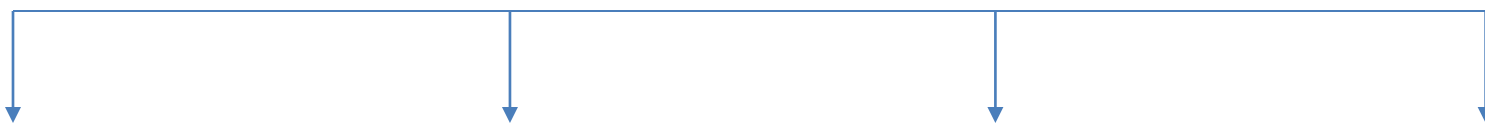


New Team

More structured work, more capacity to develop new benefits and activities for members



Barbara Uranjek
CEO



Mart D. Buh

Business Development manager



Tara Pleško

Sustainability and PR manager



Špela Drobnič

Project and Office Manager



Žiga Fišer

DBT Country Director

In July 2023 3 new team members joined:

Žiga is taking over DBT work, taking care of three strategic sectors,

Mart developed a new Chamber strategy and will take care of further development of the Chamber's activities,

Tara is coordinating Chapter Zero Slovenia activities, Chamber's social media and traditional media presence.



(AD 1) Financial Report 2023



Financial Report 2023

	Balance 2023
TOTAL COSTS	315.700 eur
HR	191.300
Operation costs	34.200
Events	68.800
Travel	8.600
Marketing	12.800
TOTAL INCOME	300.200 eur
DBT	82.100
Chapter Zero Slovenia	17.800
Events	67.000
Membership fees	99.800
Large sponsors	33.500
BALANCE	-15.500 eur

Investment into our team enlargement - PR/sustainability manager and Business Development Manager – will bring more revenue and member benefits.

Accounts handed in on 21 February and inspected by the Supervisory board on 5, 15 and 16 April 2024.



(AD 2) Report on Membership and Activities in 2023



Membership in 2023

Membership increased significantly in 2023, the retention rate is 89% (above target of 85%)

	TOTAL	1 January 2023	31 December 2023
Members		95	118
New members 2023	33	9	5
Members left 2023	10		
Retention rate			
Since 1 July 2023		/	96%
Since 1 January 2023		/	89%



Events and Activities in 2023

We established 2 new councils and Chapter Zero Slovenia

Organised

5

Tea with
Reason
events

Launched

2

Councils

Organised

2

business
delegations
to the UK

Launched

**Chapter
Zero
Slovenia**

Organised a

**Christmas
Gala in
London**

Organised a

**trade
webinar**



We Launched the UK Trade Council and Investors' Council for Our Members

Following the United Kingdom's (UK) departure from the European Union (EU), we have established the UK Trade Council and Investors' Council, where members discuss their challenges and experiences in exporting to or importing from the UK, as well as investing in Slovenia.

We are planning to establish more councils based on our members' interests. Please let us know what would be of interest to you.





We Organised 5 Tea with Reason Events

Tea with Reason events covered the following topics:

1. Navigating Sustainability Reporting
2. What can Business Learn from Sports? Event with Tom Livingstone, climber & alpinist
3. Christie's Top Talk & Investment Conference. Event with Giovanna Bertazzoni, Christie's Auction House
4. Tea with Reason in Kranjska Gora
5. What Kind of Employees are you Looking for?





Christmas Gala in London

Our exclusive event in London enhanced with a conference at Bloomberg



On 24 November 2023 we held our traditional Christmas Gala at the prestigious Institute of Directors in London. 170 guests from Slovenia and the UK gathered for a joyful evening full of great food, jazz music and networking. This gave you, our members, the opportunity to network with Slovenian and British business partners and make new contacts with influential representatives of the British government and business world.

In collaboration with Bloomberg we held a conference "Transitioning to a Carbon-Free Future: Opportunities and Financing". The event brought together government representatives, state-owned and private companies from Slovenia and the UK, to facilitate discussions on the UK's best practice in financing the transition to a net zero future.





We organised 6 Chapter Zero Slovenia activities in 2023

3 Live Events

- Launch event
- From crisis management to systemic approach to sustainable transition
- Meeting of certified supervisors

3 Podcasts

- 2 podcasts with Karina Litvack
- A podcast with Tina Kobilšek

Membership & Partnerships

- 80 members
- 3 founding members
- 9 partners and supporting organisations
- 9 Working group members
- 4 Ambassadors





Our Other Activities & Services in 2023

TRADE AFTER BREXIT WEBINAR:

Implementation of the UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement and identifying Market Access Barriers

INVEST UK: we continued to promote the UK as an investment destination for Slovenian companies – great place to go global from.

INVEST SLOVENIA: we promoted Slovenia as an investment destination and supported UK investors in Slovenia.

We continue to support the British Embassy in Slovenia with work on trade and investment.



Department for
Business & Trade



(AD 4) Activities and Budget for 2024



We Have 20 Events in 2024

JAN/ FEB

23 Jan: [UK Trade Council](#)

6 Feb: New Member Event

13 Feb: [Investors' Council](#)

MARCH

22 Mar: Green Finance Conference

26 Mar: UK Trade Council

27 Mar: [G&T Expat Club](#)

APRIL

19-26 Apr: General Assembly of the BSCC

MAY

14 May: Investors' Council

16 May: [Financing the Green Transition Conference](#)

28 May: Chapter Zero Slovenia Event

JUNE

5 Jun: New Member Event

SEPTEMBER

17 Sep: UK Trade Council

19 Sep: The Future of Architecture, Building & Workspace

25 Sep: G&T Expat Club

OCTOBER

10 Oct: Tea with Reason - Trading with the UK

15 Oct: Investors' Council



NOVEMBER

6 Nov: New Member Event

27-29 Nov: Business Delegation to the UK

29 Nov: Christmas Gala

DECEMBER

4 Dec: G&T Expat Club





Chapter Zero Slovenia

We are the host organisation of this climate initiative

We established Chapter Zero Slovenia together with the Slovenian Directors' Association and Deloitte Slovenia.

Chapter Zero Slovenia represents a **Slovenian Chapter** of the **Climate Governance Initiative**, developed in collaboration with the World Economic Forum.

The aim of Chapter Zero Slovenia is to **educate and activate CEOs and non-executive directors of companies in Slovenia to address climate change** in their business models by providing them the skills and knowledge that is needed to make climate change a boardroom priority.

It operates on the basis of **8 Climate Governance Principles** and the **Charter of the Climate Governance Initiative**.

It is **free to become a member of Chapter Zero Slovenia** and take part in its events, webinars, workshops, and other activities. Read more about this initiative and **join [here](#)**.





Chapter Zero Slovenia Plan of Activities in 2024

Workshops, articles and activities with ambassadors

1. Monthly articles about 8 Climate Governance principles – written by the Working group members
2. Interviews with ambassadors
3. Impact report of the CZS on the occasion of 1st anniversary of the initiative
4. Event on the occasion of the 1st anniversary
5. Workshops for supervisory board members on climate governance and sustainability strategies
6. 2 Workshops on how to bring climate actions into boardrooms
7. Survey report among members
8. Post-COP29 report

Are you a member of Chapter Zero Slovenia? If not, please do join us. It's free of charge.
<https://www.chapterzeroslovenia.si/en/become-a-member/>



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Membership fees	99.800	143.000
Large sponsors	33.500	31.000
BALANCE	-15.500 eur	3.100 eur



(AD 5) Election of a New Supervisory Board Member

The role of our Supervisory Board is the supervision over our finances, which includes an inspection of our books at least once per year.

One Supervisory Board member left the position at his company at the end of 2023. The Supervisory Board needs to have an odd number of members and we are looking to add 1 new member – Robert Prelesnik, Partner at Law firm Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & partner.



Supervisory Board – New Member

We propose Robert Prelesnik

Robert Prelesnik is a senior partner at Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & Partners and specialises in infrastructure, real estate and construction law, energy, public procurement, privatisation and reorganisation, corporate and commercial law.

Robert's law firm RPPP is also a **very active member of our Chamber – helping us organise events on green transition.**

