



General Assembly
of the
British-Slovenian Chamber of Commerce

25 May - 1 June 2023, online



(AD 1) Report on activities in 2022

2022 can be best described as back to business as usual.

We organised various activities in Slovenia and in the UK. Our Christmas Gala in London returned and we organised business delegations to the UK.

We were also active in activities around Trade after Brexit, as new rules appeared and businesses tend to have some questions when adapting to new regulation.



We organised 18 events in 2022

- **7** Tea with Reason events
- **4** webinars, of which 2 on Trade after Brexit
- **2** workshops
- **2** business delegations to London
- **2** concerts
- **1** Christmas event in London





Tea with Reason events on topics that link Slovenia and the UK

Climate change

LegalTech

M&A

Attracting Slovenians from abroad

Development incentives for businesses

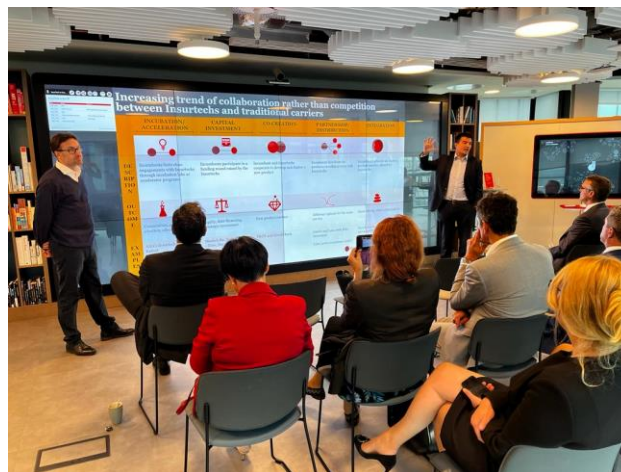
Two regional events around Slovenia





InsureTech Delegation to London

September 2022



Attended by the Chairmen and Chairwomen of the Management Boards of Slovenian insurance companies. They visited PwC and Lloyd's Lab to discover the London insurance market, trends and new technologies, all in the context of sustainable development.



Christmas Gala

November 2022

On 25 November 2022 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 Slovenian wine. This gave them to opportunity to network with Slovenian and British business partners and make new contacts with influential representatives of the British government and business world.





Charity and Christmas Concerts

May & December 2022

1. We organised a charity concert with the British Embassy in Ljubljana, in solidarity with Ukraine, and donated funds for the care of refugees from Ukraine in Slovenia.
2. To mark the 30th anniversary of British-Slovenian friendship, we organised with the British Embassy in Slovenia, a Christmas concert at St Nicholas Cathedral in Ljubljana. UK Parliament Choir and the Slovenian Parliamentary Choir Kvorum sang Christmas carols together for the first time.





We have the Green Star Certificate for setting strategic priorities on the path to green transformation

- Answered **115** questions about our ESG activities
- Received title „Brave Beginners“
- Good results in the field of governance & social
- What do we have to work on:
 - To measure our carbon footprint,
 - To encourage our building owner to change their electricity provider to renewable sources,
 - to encourage our contractors to behave greener.





Our other Activities & Services in 2022

TRADE AFTER BREXIT:

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
International Trade



(AD 2) Balance sheet 2022

Our profit before tax of 2.156,91€ shows a healthy result.

As we are considered as a non-profit organisation, serving our members, we strive to reach a small positive balance at the end of the year. Our goal remains to keep working with the Department of International Trade and enlarging our membership, as well as sponsorships that guarantee our operations and activities.



Financial report 2022

		2022
COSTS		
	total costs	299.900,00
HR		146.200,00
OPERATION COSTS		31.000,00
EVENTS		107.700,00
	<i>DIT related events</i>	<i>6.000,00</i>
	<i>Chamber related events</i>	<i>101.700,00</i>
TRAVEL & EDUCATION		5.500,00
MARKETING		9.500,00
INCOME		
	total income	302.000,00
DIT		91.000,00
SERVICES		20.000,00
EVENTS		110.000,00
MEMBER FEES & LARGE SPONSORS		81.000,00
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		2.100,00

Profit before tax= 2.156,91€

Accounts handed on 22 February and inspected by the Supervisory board on 17 May.



(AD 4) Activities and budget for 2023

Tea with Reason & Trade after Brexit events, Christmas Gala and delegations to the UK.

*And we're also proud to have become the host organisation for Chapter Zero Slovenia – an initiative that **educates and activates CEOs and non-executive directors of companies in Slovenia to address climate change** by providing them the skills and knowledge that are needed to make climate change a boardroom priority.*

*You're kindly invited to our 5th Christmas Gala, **book your calendars for 24 November!***

This year we are also expanding our team to address your needs and offer you, our members, more services and activities.



Planned Activities in 2023

JAN/ FEB

4 Feb: Burns
Prešeren
evening

MARCH

1 Mar: Tea with Reason:
What kind of employees
are companies looking for?

30 Mar: Regional Tea with
Reason in Kranjska Gora

APRIL

18 Apr: Chapter Zero
Slovenia launch event

MAY

General Assembly of the BSCC

12 May: Trade after Brexit Webinar

17 May: Delegation to British
Chambers of Commerce's Global
Annual Conference, London

Chapter Zero podcast

JUNE

Chapter Zero
podcast

SEPTEMBER

14 Sept: Christie's top
talk & Art as an
investment

Chapter Zero webinar

OCTOBER

3-6 Oct: UK Construction week in Birmingham –
delegation

19 Oct: TwR: How to lead teams in crisis

Chapter Zero webinar

NOVEMBER

8 Nov: Webinar – trade after
Brexit (UKCA marking)

24 Nov: Christmas Gala in
London & Visit of Bloomberg
and Parliament





We are the host organisation of Chapter Zero Slovenia

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](#)**.

Take a look at our launch event [here](#).

Listen to the first podcast episode [here](#).





Christie's top talk & investment conference in Ljubljana

14 September 2023

Christie's is a world-leading art and luxury business, renowned and trusted for its live and online auctions, as well as its bespoke private sales. We will organise a top talk with Christie's representative, who will discuss art as an investment alternative. We will also discuss alternative investments at a round table with various speakers.





Christmas Gala

24 November 2023



This is our most prominent event of the year, connecting Slovenian and British business and diplomacy, in an exclusive venue in the centre of London. 180 guests from Slovenia and the UK enjoy an evening gourmet food, jazz music and Slovenian wine. This is an opportunity to connect with business partners and friends.

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Financial plan 2023

		2022	PLAN 2023
COSTS			
total costs		299.900,00	296.300,00
HR		146.200,00	192.000,00
OPERATION COSTS		31.000,00	28.900,00
ACTIVITIES		122.700,00	75.400,00
INCOME			
total income		302.000,00	299.100,00
DIT		91.000,00	81.800,00
SERVICES		20.000,00	16.200,00
EVENTS		110.000,00	75.600,00
MEMBER FEES & LARGE SPONSORS		81.000,00	125.500,00
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		2.100,00	2.800,00



(AD 5) Election of new management board members

The role of our management board is the supervision of the chamber, but also working with us in helping to increase trade and investment. Two of our existing management board members have expired mandates, so we are looking for new members. The criteria for finding new management board members was that they have a connection with UK trade and investment, can support the chamber and help business between Slovenia and the UK grow.



Management Board changes 2023

We propose two new members

	First mandate	Second mandate	New candidates
Luka Vesnaver	2022 Mar – 2025		
Miha Košak	2022 Mar – 2025		
Miha Žerko	2022 Mar – 2025		
Peter Čas	2022 Mar – 2025		
Tadej Gosak	2022 Mar – 2025		
Žiga Hieng	2022 Mar – 2025		
Božo Černila	2019 – 2022	2022- 2025	
Dali Bungič	2017 Sept -2020	2020- Sept 2023	Hedvika Usenik , management board member NLB
Uroš Čop	2017 July – 2020	2020- July 2023	Maruša Senica , partner/CEO Law firm Senica





Board Member Mandates 2023

Management board – new candidates

HEDVIKA USENIK, management board member, NLB

- Experienced banking professional with 26 years of work experience
- Areas of expertise: retail banking, corporate banking, sales management, product and segment management, CRM, channel management, digital transformation

CONNECTION WITH BSCC

- NLB Group is the largest financial group in the CEE Adriatic region and listed on the **London stock exchange**.
- We also closely work with them on the topic of sustainability & ESG.





Board Member Mandates 2023

Management board – new candidates

MARUŠA SENICA, executive director & board member, Law Firm Senica & partners

- Active member in several international businesses and legal networks, supports international activities of Law Firm Senica and Partners

CONNECTION WITH BSCC

- Law firm Senica & partners **helped with the establishment of the British-Slovenian Chamber of Commerce**, both organizationally and financially, with a donation for the initial start of the business, in addition to providing all legal support in the process of establishing the chamber and further on.

