



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

## HOW TO BUILD AN OPTIMUM CYCLING CITY ENVIRONMENT?

*CONNECTIVITY AND ROAD SAFETY*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Antiq Palace Hotel Ljubljana, Slovenia



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BSC Kranj – Regional Development Agency of Gorenjska is delighted to invite you to the 1<sup>st</sup> international CycleCities Conference:

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### CONNECTIVITY AND ROAD SAFETY

In the 21st century Europe cycling is a fast growing segment of European cities' transport systems. Cycling is of strategic importance in the sustainable development of our cities. However, despite the growth of cycling, there is still significant potential for improving the integration of cycling into the transport network – across Europe there are positive examples of good practice and others examples of cities exploring the field. CycleCities project aims to carry out the transfer of experience and exchanges of good practice among European cities, as well as to build up a knowledge base documenting the successful integration of cycling into improving traffic conditions and city environments. Eight partners from seven European countries: United Kingdom, Germany, Greece, Italy, Poland, Portugal and Slovenia, joined together with a common interest to create optimum cycle cities.

One of the main challenges in the development of cycling in cities of today is **how to ensure good connectivity and safety for bicycling**. Lack of space, co-ordination and the demands of other transport modes often prevents city authorities from providing direct connections to key trip generators in their city and balancing desire lines with high level of road safety to encourage the growth in mode share particularly the inexperienced and vulnerable.

The conference will present some of latest thinking from across Europe for creating good connectivity and road safety of cycling in a city and provide a forum to discuss optimum solutions from various perspectives of different stakeholders: spatial and transport planning authorities, road infrastructure design and construction business, road safety agencies, cycling advocacy organisations etc.

The conference will be followed by the 5<sup>th</sup> interregional CycleCities Forum and 5<sup>th</sup> interregional CycleCities Workshop.

The participants of the forum and workshop will have an opportunity to experience challenges and explore solutions for more and safer cycling in the city of Ljubljana. As one of the most ambitious “climber” cities in Europe the city has recently set ambitious plans and undertaken various measures to double the share of cycling in a modal split of the city from current 10% till 2020.

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The participation on the conference, forum and workshop is **free** but pre-registration is necessary. Number of participants is limited. Please fill in the enclosed REGISTRATION FORM and send it to e-mail [cyclecities@bsc-kranj.si](mailto:cyclecities@bsc-kranj.si) or fax **+386 4 28 17 249** by 28<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

**Find further information on the programme, the venue and arrival later in this document.**

# PROGRAMME

## DAY I Tuesday, 3 June

9:00	Registration
9:30	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Prof. Janez Koželj, Deputy Mayor of the Municipality of Ljubljana</i>
9:45	<b>Short introduction to CycleCities Project</b> <i>Ms. Maria Poulou, Municipality of Piraeus, CycleCities Project Lead Partner</i>
10:00	<b>Keynote speech: Cycling in Cities: the Past, the Present and the Future: What can we learn from Ljubljana approach?</b> <i>Mr. Blaž Lokar, NGO "ZaMestoPoDveh" ("For-cities-on-two")</i>
10:30	Thematic lectures on Connectivity <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ <b>SUMPs: an opportunity to boost cycling in cities &amp; Case of the Municipality of Ljutomer</b> <i>Dr. Aljaž Plevnik, Urban planning Institute of the Republic of Slovenia - UIRS and Mr. Mitja Kolbl, SUMP Project coordinator, Municipality of Ljutomer</i></li><li>→ <b>Cycling in Cities of Central &amp; Eastern Europe - Lessons from the Mobile2020 Project</b> <i>Mr. Andrej Klemenc, Project manager, Regional environmental center Slovenia (REC Slovenia)</i></li><li>→ <b>Connectivity of Cycling Network in a City: Design Principles and Implementation Tools</b> <i>Mr. Ken Spence, Managing Consultant, Transport Initiatives LLP</i></li><li>→ <b>Connectivity: Connecting cycling to other mobility modes!</b> <i>Mr. Pascal J.W. van den Noort, Executive Director Velo Mondial, A Micro Multi-National</i></li></ul>
12:00	Lunch break
13:00	Thematic Lectures on Road Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ <b>Designing to keep roads safe for cycling makes them safe for everyone</b> <i>Mr. Brian Deegan, Transport for London – TfL</i></li><li>→ <b>Educating and Training Pupils on Safe Cycling – Slovene Experience</b> <i>Ms. Mateja Markl, Slovene Public Agency for Traffic Safety</i></li><li>→ <b>Safety of Cyclists in Slovenia: current situation and possible improvements</b> <i>Dr. Marko Renčelj, Faculty of Civil Engineering, University of Maribor</i></li><li>→ <b>Cyclists Advocacy Organizations and Their Role in Better Connectivity of Cycling Network and Safety of Cyclists in a City: the case of the City of Maribor</b> <i>Mr. Josip Rotar, President of the Maribor Cycling Network</i></li></ul>
14:30	Coffee break
15:00	<b>Interregional Forum:</b> <b>How to Achieve an Optimum of Connectivity and Safety of Cycling in a City?</b>
16.30	<b>Conclusions</b>
17:00	End of the day

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## DAY 2 Wednesday, 4 June

9:00	Gathering & Preparation for the Cycling Tour
9:30	<b>Guided Cycling Tour on Connectivity of the Cycling Network and Road Safety in Ljubljana</b> <i>Guidance by Ljubljana Cycling Network</i>
12:30	Lunch break
14:00	<b>Workshop</b> → <b>Topic 1: Connectivity of the Cycling Network in a City</b> <i>Mrs. Polona Andrejčič Mušič MSc (Civil Eng), Expert for Traffic Safety and Cycling Infrastructure</i> → <b>Topic 2: Cycling and Road Safety in a City</b> <i>Mr. Andrej Klemenc, Project manager, Regional environmental center Slovenia (REC Slovenia)</i>
16:00	Coffee break
16.30	<b>Conclusions</b>
17:00	End of the day

## CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any request, special needs or questions about the conference, forum or workshop, please contact:

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We are looking forward to seeing you!

Partners of the CycleCities project



## VENUE DETAILS

**Antiq Palace Hotel & Spa** is located in an impressive 16th century palatial city residence, originally built for nobility, in the very heart of the **centre of Ljubljana**. Ljubljana's main Train Station and Bus Station are within walking distance.



### ANITIQ PALACE HOTEL & SPA

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Location: <http://goo.gl/maps/eQEUJ>

[Ljubljana International Airport](#) is a short thirty-minute drive. Car rental and taxi service are available at the terminal and nearby locations. [Direct shuttle service](#) (9 EUR per person) between the airport and Ljubljana are organized throughout the year.

### Parking options

1. NUK (200 m distance) – Open-air car park with 188 parking spaces – average parking fee per 8h is cca 8 – 10 EUR
2. Kongresni trg Garage (150 m distance) – secure garage car park with cca 700 parking spaces – average parking fee per 8h is cca 10 – 15 EUR



## ACCOMODATION

**ANTIQ PALACE HOTEL & SPA** offers special prices for participants of the CycleCities events:

- Single Room 130 EUR
- Business Double Room (single use) 147 EUR
- Deluxe Double Room (single use) 167 EUR
- Double Occupancy supplement 15 EUR

The rates are non-commissionable and exclude Tourist Tax of 1,01 EUR pppn. The rates are incl. 9,5% VAT, Breakfast and Wifi.

For your accommodation reservations please fill in the [RESERVATION FORM](#) and contact the hotel [reception@antiqpalace.com](mailto:reception@antiqpalace.com) with the reference: CYCLECITIES2014.

Other hotels with special prices for participants of the CycleCities events:

### **Best Western Premier HOTEL SLON**

Slovenska cesta 34, Ljubljana

<http://www.hotelslon.com>

- Economy Single Room 98 EUR
- Comfort Single Room 116 EUR
- Comfort Double Room 131 EUR

Above rates include rich buffet breakfast and VAT. City tax is included and is 1,01 € per night. To take advantage of these rates and to ensure your accommodation, please, return the booking form till 26.05.2014.

For your accommodation reservation please fill in the [RESERVATION FORM](#) and contact the hotel [sales@hotelslon.com](mailto:sales@hotelslon.com) with the reference: CYCLECITIES.

### **HOTEL EMONEC**

Wolfova 12, Ljubljana

<http://www.hotel-emonec.com/>

- Single Room 59 EUR
- Doublebedroom single use 67 EUR

Rates are per room per night, including self-service breakfast, tourist tax and 9,5% VAT.

For your accommodation reservation please contact the hotel [hotelemonec@siol.net](mailto:hotelemonec@siol.net) with the reference: CYCLECITIES.

## HOW TO RENT A BICYCLE IN LJUBLJANA?

Renting a tourist bicycle at Tourist Information Offices and Antiq Hotel, Grand Hotel Union Business, Hotel Central, Ljubljana Resort, M hotel and Celica hostel: from 8h till 19h; a personal document (ID card, passport) is required.

Rates: up to 2 hours: 1 EUR, above 2 hours 5 EUR; for Urbana City Card holders renting is free up to 4 hours.

Renting a city bike Bicikelj: you need to register on the website [www.bicikelj.si](http://www.bicikelj.si); in addition to an e-mail address, you need to have a credit card, but you do not need an Urbana city card; the registration fee for weekly use of the Bicike(LJ) system is 1 EUR.

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