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Welcome



Dear Friends & Colleagues

On behalf of INSOL Europe, we are delighted to invite you to Ljubljana, Slovenia, a land of legends and myths, to the EECC Conference on **'Navigating the future journey of distressed companies'**.

You will be warmly greeted by the Ljubljana Dragon. The legend is that Ljubljana was founded by the Greek mythological hero Jason and his companions, the Argonauts, who had stolen the golden fleece from King Aetes and fled from him across the Black Sea and up the Danube, Sava and Ljubljanica rivers. They stopped at a large lake in the marsh near the source of the Ljubljanica, where they disassembled their ship to be able to carry it to the Adriatic Sea, put it together again, and return to Greece. The lake where they made a stop was the dwelling place of a monster. Jason fought the monster, defeated it and killed it. The monster, now referred to as the Ljubljana Dragon, found its place atop the castle tower on the Ljubljana coat of arms.

It is this determination that makes Slovenia the perfect place for our 15th EECC Conference! Slovenia had a high number of insolvent companies as a result of the 2008 global financial crisis, features of restructuring procedures not suited and no preventive procedures available. In the last couple of years, Slovenia introduced preventive restructuring procedures for medium and large-size companies, simplified reorganization procedures for micro and small-size companies and improved access to reorganization proceedings for creditors. These reforms increased the number of successful reorganization cases and ranked Slovenia as number 9 at Resolving Insolvency (World Bank Doing Business Report 2019), with an 88.7 cents on the dollar recovery rate, 0,8 years and 4% of the estate cost.

Our Conference program is taking shape thanks to our technical co-chairs – Edvins Draba (Sorainen, Latvia) and Marko Zaman (Zaman and partners Ltd, Slovenia) – and the INSOL Europe team and we are just going to share a few highlights; we will have the opportunity to sample a bit of the investors' experience - when insolvency becomes a calculable and acceptable risk for investors, to analyse a case on cross border insolvency in aviation and we will walk together a fine line between access to information and the need for confidentiality in insolvency procedures.

Just to name a few participants, we are fortunate to have as our Keynote speaker **Prof. Marko Simoneti** (Department of Legal and Economic Science of the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia) and panellists **Roman Knut-Seger** (BDO Restructuring, Germany), **Dr. Christoph Schiller** (Anchor Rechtsanwälte, Germany), and **Glen Flannery** (CMS, UK) and many others.

We hope you will join us, as we have prepared many surprises and good entertainment and we encourage you to come early and stay late. On the 6th of June (Thursday) there is a pre-conference networking dinner at the restaurant Gostilna na Gradu in the Castle grounds during which the guests can have a taste of both Slovenia's culinary and music traditions and on Friday evening there is the Young Members drinks reception and networking.

The EECC Conference will bring you fresh knowledge, widen your network, stimulate your innovative self and expand your vision while providing a relaxing and memorable time in this beautiful city. We are very excited about this event and look forward to welcoming you in Ljubljana. Registration will soon be open on our website. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us or any member of our local conference committee.

We hope you will take up the many opportunities to enjoy our conference in Ljubljana, as well as the city and its surroundings.

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Programme



Thursday 6 June

16.00 - 18.00	Registration
19.30 - 22.30	Optional pre-conference drinks and dinner

Friday 7 June

08.00 - 09.20	Registration desk re-opens
09.20 - 09.30	Welcome Address Radu Lotrean, Immediate Past President of INSOL Europe; Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe EECC; CITR, Romania, Evert Verwey, Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe EECC; Clifford Chance LLP, The Netherlands
09.30 - 10.00	Keynote Speaker Prof. Marko Simoneti, Department of Legal and Economic Science of the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

MORNING TECHNICAL SESSION

10.00 - 11.00	Session 1. The sooner the better: Harmonisation of preventive restructuring frameworks in the European Union <i>Panel leader:</i> Edvīns Draba, Technical Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe 2019 Ljubljana EECC Conference; Sorainen, Latvia <i>Panellists to be announced</i>
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 - 12.15	Session 2. When it comes to bankruptcy: Maximising value for investors <ul style="list-style-type: none">When insolvency becomes a calculable and acceptable risk for investors <i>Panel leader:</i> Roman-Knut Seger, BDO Restructuring, Germany <i>Panellists to be announced</i>
12.15 - 13.00	Session 3. The use of technology in bankruptcy: Online auctions system <i>Panel leader:</i> Anto Kasak, Kasak & Missik; Tartu University, Estonia <i>Panellists to include:</i> Ales Weikslar, NetBid, Slovenia
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch break

AFTERNOON TECHNICAL SESSION

14.00 - 14.45	Session 4. Pre-packaged insolvency tools: Where are we now? <ul style="list-style-type: none">The UK prototype - merits and criticismsOther countries' models - including Poland'sCan we solve the tension between value preservation and transparency?
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- What to expect in a post-Brexit era?

Panel leader: Glen Flannery, CMS, UK

Panellists to include:

Michał Barłowski, Wardyński & Partners, Poland TBC

14.45 - 15.30 **Session 5. Increasing efficiency in insolvency proceedings: The appointment of IPs**

- Algorithm-based/random selection systems vs systems where creditors/debtor/judge have a key role in the appointment of an IP

Panel leader: Frank Heemann, bnt attorneys-at-law, Lithuania

Panellists to be announced

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 - 16.45 **Session 6. Cross-border insolvency issues in aviation**

- Case study

Panel leader: Dr Christoph Schiller, Anchor Rechtsanwälte, Germany

Panellists to be announced

16.45 - 17.30 **Session 7. Speech is silver, but silence is gold: The fine line between access to information and need for confidentiality**

- Information to creditors during insolvency process
- How to protect the debtor against competition
- Directors/shareholders right to information in order to defend themselves in litigation proceedings

Panel leader: Evert Verwey, Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe EECC; Clifford Chance LLP, The Netherlands

Panellists to be announced

17.30 - 17.45 **Closing remarks**

Radu Lotrean, Immediate Past President of INSOL Europe; Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe EECC; CITR, Romania, Evert Verwey, Co-Chair of the INSOL Europe EECC; Clifford Chance LLP, The Netherlands

17.45 - 19.00 Drinks reception and networking

Programme subject to alteration.

Panellists are drawn from many varied disciplines and more will be added before the event.

Information



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When to Arrive

Registration will start at 16.00 on Thursday 6 June. The registration desk will re-open at 08.00 on Friday 7 June.

Pre-Conference Dinner

There will be an optional pre-conference networking drinks and dinner in a local restaurant at 19.30 on Thursday 6 June. The cost of this dinner will be €50 (€40⁹⁸ + €9⁰² VAT). If you would like to attend, please complete the section on the registration form and add your payment.

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