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Mojca Stubelj ArsHead of Xcenter, Nova
Gorica



Mojca Stubelj Ars holds a PhD in Environmental Sciences and is an expert and educator in environmental sciences and sustainable tourism. She has extensive academic experience as a researcher in ecological data analysis, nature conservation, pro-environmental behaviour, sustainable tourism, implementation of sustainable development practices, and environmental impact assessment and management. She is also a vivid lecturer and loves passing on her knowledge and passion for nature conservation and aims for a greener and better future. Mojca writes books for children and poetry... so she shifted from her academic career into the world of start-ups and successfully built and run her own start-up in early language learning for more than seven years. In 2022 Mojca joined the team of GO! 2025 European capital of culture 2025 Nova Gorica - Gorica. She became the Head of Xcenter, the creativity hub in Nova Gorica, where she creates the program by connecting the ecosystems of education, business, art and new technologies. She is interested in the topics of how art and intermediate art can address ecological questions and pose philosophical questions that may lead to a shift in people's pro-environmental behaviour.

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Žiga Lampe

Director of Strategic Development Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia





Žiga Lampe – University degree in Physics from the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics; Director of Strategic Development at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia; previously working four years as a Senior Advisor at the Project office at the Chamber and six years of experience as a Senior Advisor at the Association of Chemical Industries; rich experience in project management; experience in working on several projects connecting VET with industry; currently working on several projects which connect creative and cultural with traditional industries; Žiga is also Design Thinking coach and working on development of DT services for member companies. Highlighted projects

- S+T+ARTS Residencies: Repairing the present; Local Expert Group
- DesAlps; Interreg Alpine Space; Promoting innovation in companies through Design thinking
- ROSIE; Interreg Central of Europe; Bringing the concepts of Responsible Innovation closer to companies
- CAB; Interreg Italy Slovenia; Cross-border Accelerator Linking R&D and Business Innovation
- 4STEPS; Interreg Central Europe; Introduction of Industry 4.0 concepts in companies
- COCO4CCI; Interreg Central Europe; Connecting companies and creative industries to raise innovation
- DIVA; Interreg Italy Slovenia; Art thinking Supporting innovation through creative industries
- KCDM3.0; Competence Center for Design Management StartCircles; Interreg Austria Slovenia; Support for the transition from linear to circular value chains

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Simon Delakorda

Director of the Institute for Electronic Participation





Simon Delakorda (M.Sc.) is digital democracy and e-participation practitioner and researcher. He is an executive director at the Institute for Electronic Participation NGO in Ljubljana, Slovenia (https://www.inepa.si/english/). Starting in 2000, he participated in an early e-democracy project within the university and NGO sector. He is an author and co-author of articles and case studies and a conference speaker on democracy, political participation, citizenship, non-governmental organizations governments online. He received B.Sc degree in political science on e-democracy in 2002 and M.Sc. degree in e-participation in 2009. He worked as an e-democracy course associate and researcher at the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Ljubljana, as co-founder and head of the Centre of Electronic Democracy at the Institute of Ecology, and as an e-democracy associate at the Arctur IT Company Ltd. During 2006-2007 he coordinated and managed the E-participacija web portal and facilitated the Citizen's Forum, first successful e-democracy project in Slovenia. In 2007 he founded the Institute for Electronic Participation.

Since 2014 he has been the coordinator and head of advocacy at the National Network of non-governmental organisations for an inclusive information society in Slovenia. His current projects and focus combine digital democracy development, e-government and information society His memberships include Europe's advocacy. digital transformation cluster of the Civil Society Convention on the Future of Europe, the strategic working group on societal aspects of digitalization at the Slovenian Digital Coalition and the Slovenian Political Science Association. He received awards and expert recognition as an e-democracy student, expert and facilitator. He is a lecturer and moderator at international professional events, a projects evaluator and has 15 years of experience with European projects from the EU's 7th Framework Program, the Norwegian Financial Mechanism for Regional Cooperation and Europe for Citizens and Erasmus + programs.