



## COBIK CONFERENCE

Hotel Slon, Ljubljana, Slovenia

## COBIK AND U.S.-SLOVENIA BUSINESS BRIDGE: HIGH-TECH INNOVATIONS CONNECTING THE WORLD

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Connecting and networking high-tech knowledge and innovations by Slovenian researchers with opportunities for international investment is something that COBIK has been involved with ever since it was founded. We are therefore very pleased to take part in introducing the two-day event U.S.-SLOVENIA BUSINESS BRIDGE, which will be held 17 and 18 October in Ljubljana, by opening a discussion with key policy makers on opportunities for and the importance of the international placement of centers of excellence and learning from goodpractice examples from abroad. We will also connect center of excellence representatives with potential investors. The goal of the fourth COBIK conference is to promote even more international connections and even more success in placing the solutions and know-how of centers of excellence on international markets. We warmly invite you to join us in opening and transcending boundaries.

## Maja Makovec Brenčič, PhD

Head of the Program Committee, 2013 COBIK Conference

## PROGRAM

9.30 Registration

10.00 Welcome

Ajša Vodnik, MSc, AmCham Slovenia, Executive director

Maja Makovec Brenčič, PhD, COBIK and Faculty of Economics University of Ljubljana, Vice Dean

10.15 Introductory Speech

Jernej Pikalo, PhD, Minister for Education, Science and Sport

10.30 Zev Gurion, PhD, Executive director, Akron BioMedical Corridor: From Local Innovation to Global Business Growth

11.00 3 × 5 minutes for centers of excellence: Rebeka Koncilja Žgalin, COBIK, Mateja Dermas-

11.15 Roundtable: From Innovation to Business Model: Jernej Pikalo, PhD, Minister for Education, Science and Sport, Zev Gurion, PhD, Executive director, Akron BioMedical Corridor, Marko Jaklič, PhD, COBIK and FE UL, Frenk Smrekar, PhD, Jafral, CEO, Pannel

Host: Maja Makovec Brenčič, PhD.

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**Minutes for Networking** 12.00



