

Focus 2016

Annual Report on Key Achievements, Activities and New Products of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia in 2016

Achievements

Saving Slovenia's economy more than 400 million euros.

Legislative Framework

Increased transparency and oversight of intellectual property collectives.

Elimination of temporal limitations of environmental permits



Expedited provision of environmental permits.



Business Environment

250 million euros saved due to lower interest rates, which can, to a large extent, be attributed to demand for a more responsible public finance policy.

100 million euros saved due to preventing the introduction of the so-called "petrol cent".



Consequent to tax restructuring, **90 million euros** of relief from the tax-burden on salaries.



41 million euros of additional funds for the construction of Brežice hydropower plant.



14 million euros saved through exemptions on fossil-fuel CO₂ emissions duty together with the abolition of duty on F-gases.

8 million euro reduction in occupational insurance costs.



8 million euro cost saving upon the withdrawal of proposed amendments to the Housing Act RS.

4.2 million euros saved through preventing the establishment of a state water agency with 200 new civil servants.

4 million euros saved in excise duty on electrical energy for consumers with an annual consumption > 10 GWh.



1.5 million euros saved through the use of interactive tools in occupational risk assessment in relation to butchers, bakers and traders in Slovenia.

Export Support

20 million euros of direct and indirect effects from the opening of a Slovenian Embassy in Iran.



2.1 million euros invested in the internationalisation of the Slovenian economy in 2016.



Development Impetus

200 million euros in short-term tide-over loans for small and medium-sized enterprises.



8.5 million euro reduction in tax burden through the preservation of tax relief on research, development and investment.

4,9 million euros of additional development support in co-funding the start-up of new enterprises in Slovenia's Pomurje region.



1 million euros in commercial grants to companies for the improvement of energy efficiency in older buildings containing three or more apartments.



REGULATORY FRAMEWORK AND SOCIAL DIALOGUE

Active within **59 committees and working groups** of ministries and government offices, as well as participating at **19 meetings** of the Economic and Social Council.

Filing amendments to **14 regulations.**

Preparing comments and proposals to **65 regulations.**

Issuing **195 position** papers, comments and press releases.

New at the Strategic Level

DigitAgenda 2016

30 recommendations to government and enterprises in relation to the processes of digitalisation.

2016 Agenda for Small Business

priority measures for SMEs.

FDI's Declaration

analysing the situation and proposing measures to make Slovenia more attractive for domestic and foreign investment.

Slovenian Digital Coalition

uniting stakeholders in the development of a digital economy.

Entrepreneurial Slovenia

(Podjetniška Slovenija) - strategic grouping of a new generation of entrepreneurs.

Summit of foreign-owned companies.



Western Balkans Digital Initiative - a region for the future.



Economic Pulse (Utrip gospodarstva) - a bulletin for parliamentarians and key decision-makers in Slovenia.



Events



Dissemination of Information



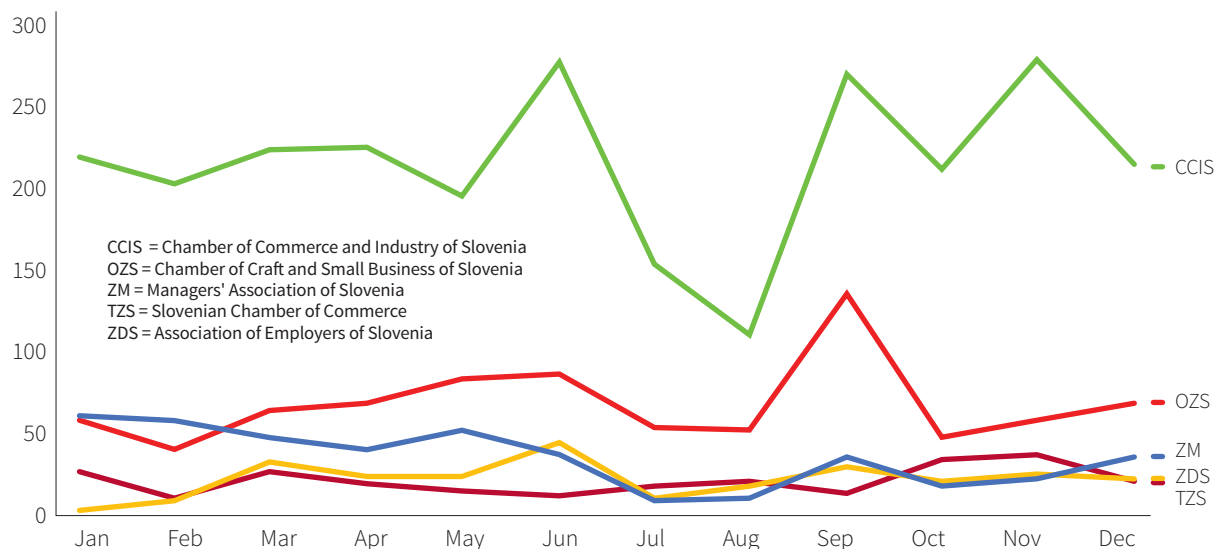
- 14,000** member consultations
 - 1,000** legal opinions and consultancy provision to members
 - 8** regular and **3** special editions of Voice of the Economy (Glas Gospodarstva) magazine
 - 1** Annual publication of the Discover Slovenia magazine
 - 46** editions of the Business Weekly (Poslovni Tednik) e-bulletin
 - 23** editions of the Legislative Compass (Zakonodajni Kompas) e-bulletin
 - 46** editions of Centre for International Business E-news
 - 24** editions of Economic Pulse (Utrip Gospodarstva) e-bulletin
 - 12** editions of Environmental E-news
 - 10** editions of Slovenia Business Link e-bulletin
 - 300** video reports for TV.GZS
- E-bulletins and printed information from various industries and regions

Internationalisation



- 23** outgoing delegations
- 12** incoming delegations
- 2** business breakfasts at the CCIS
- 5** business connections at the CCIS
- 9** CCIS networking Wednesdays
- 63** other international events

MEDIA PROFILE: MONITORING REFERENCES MADE TO THE CCIS AND RELATED ASSOCIATIONS IN THE SLOVENIAN MEDIA DURING 2016



NEW PRODUCTS

Digital

Environmental E-news - environmental protection e-monthly published by CCIS

Member-to-Member (Član-Članu) - programme of benefits for the member network.

My Big Business (Moj Veliki Posel) - digital implementation of general administrative services; Chamber of Small Business and Trade.

Programme for the **visualisation and verification of e-invoices**.

Standardised financial disclosure of business operations - standardisation of loan request forms at Slovenian banks; Chamber of Accounting Services.

E-calendar with reminders for submitting tax declarations and other reports; Chamber of Accounting Services.

New Events

CCIS Business Academy - practical training in various fields of law.

In-depth FIDIC (International Federation of Consulting Engineers) Seminars; Engineering Association.

New Publications

Discover Slovenia - an English language magazine containing information about Slovenian suppliers in partnership with a number of the world's most prestigious companies.

Code of Governance for Non-public Companies.

GG Plus - Voice of commerce with an emphasis on analytical subjects.

Focus Comment - financial-analytical commentary from CCIS Analytics.

When and How to Replace an Accounting Services Provider - brochure issued by the Chamber of Accounting.

Who Does Your Accounts? - brochure issued by the Chamber of Accounting.

Good Practice in the Metal Processing Sector - ergonomics, working relations and occupational health and safety; ZKovl - Metal Processing Association.

2016 Directory of Metal Processing Association Members intended for their foreign partners.

Analysis of Tourists Visiting Slovenia; Tourism and Hospitality Chamber.

Analysis of Financial Indicators of Selected Hospitality and Tourism Sectors 2011-2015; Tourism and Hospitality Chamber.

Analysis as to the Significance of Campsites in the Development of Slovenian Tourism; Tourism and Hospitality Chamber.

Less = More - a handbook for more responsible consumption, the reduction of waste, the better quality of water and a better life; Chamber of Public Utilities.

Absenteeism in the Construction Industry: Recommendations for the Promotion of Occupational Health and Safety in the Sector; Chamber of Construction and Building Materials.

Construction Costs and Turn-key Construction Contracts; Chamber of Construction and Building Materials Industry of Slovenia.

Other Endeavours

Send Me a Letter Campaign - the consumer's right to have a choice with regard to how they want to be informed; Association of Paper and Paper Converting Industry

E-VEM Point (Točka E-VEM) at the Pomurje Chamber of Industry and Commerce.

Slovenia Reads Campaign - promotion of reading culture and a 20% reduction in adult illiteracy; Association of Publishing and Bookselling.