



## World bee conference Global challenges in beekeeping

(The Slovenian Beekeepers' Association)



Friday, 18 May 2018 at 9:00,  
Pod Stolom hall in Žirovnica

**Dear beekeepers friends,**

Slovenian Beekeepers' Association's Public Extension Service on Beekeeping in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food and Žirovnica Elementary School will organize a world conference on global challenges in beekeeping on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The conference will be divided into eight thematic units covering the areas of beekeeping technology, the use, safety and quality of bee products, knowledge transfer, taking advantage of foraging sources of bees and promotional activities. The conference aims at producing optimal and feasible solutions for eliminating the issues determined in beekeeping and setting short-term and long-term goals for the alleviation of the problems. Foreign and Slovenian beekeeping experts will participate at the conference. It will be moderated by SBA specialists.

The event will take place in the Pod Stolom Hall in Žirovnica starting at 9 am. It will be open to the general public, but due to limited venue space an application to Ms Barbara Dimc (via email to [barbara.dimc@czs.si](mailto:barbara.dimc@czs.si)) is needed. Attendees are requested to provide their information when applying (full name, address, and contact information). The application comes with a fee. Fee 1 includes a lunch (a meat stew with pastries) with drinks, a coffee and a World Bee Day badge for €7.50 per person, while Fee 2 includes a coffee at break and the same badge for €3.00 per person. Lectures are not subject to a fee. The official languages will be Slovene and English. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

**Dear beekeepers, you are invited once again to attend the conference because you will be able to get acquainted with various views on solving the challenges being detected in beekeeping around the world.**

For more information, please visit: <http://www.czs.si/wp/wbd/>

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## Preliminary programme of the conference

	<b>OPENING THE CONFERENCE</b>
9:00– 9:30	<i>Welcome speeches:</i> <b>Dejan Židan</b> , Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Food; <b>Boštjan Noč</b> , President of SBA; <b>Philip McCabe</b> , President of Apimondia; <b>Leopold Pogačar</b> , Mayor of Žirovnica
9:30– 10:10	<b>Pollination – an ecosystem service by bees</b> <b>Lucas Garibaldi (Argentina)</b> <i>Pollination, livelihoods and sustainable agriculture</i> <b>Danilo Bevk (Slovenia)</b> <i>Status and trends of pollinators</i>
10:10– 10:50	<b>The importance of using bee products</b> <b>Pushpendra S. Bhandari (India)</b> <i>The use of bee products in nutrition and apitherapy</i> <b>Alina Varadi (Romania)</b> <i>The results of the consumption of bee products, recommended doses in Api-nutrition</i> <b>Jasna Bertonec and Nataša Lilek (Slovenia)</b> <i>The importance of the characterization of bee products</i>
<b>BREAK</b>	
11:30– 12:10	<b>Quality and safety insurance for bee products</b> <b>Lutz Elflein (Germany)</b> <i>Acaricides Residues of Bee Products and Honey Authenticity</i> <b>Mojca Korošec (Slovenia)</b> <i>The Importance of Slovenian Honey Database for Slovenian Honey Authenticity Verification</i> <b>Andreja Kandolf Borovšak (Slovenia)</b> <i>Technology-related Risks to Honey Authenticity –</i>
12:10– 12:50	<b>The development of sustainable methods for Varroa management</b> <b>Giovanni Formato (Italy)</b> <i>Good beekeeping practices to enhance the efficacy of varroacide low environmental impact treatments</i> <b>Aleš Gregorc (Slovenia)</b> <i>Varroa control to ensure healthy honey bee colonies –</i>
<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
14.00- 14.40	<b>Knowledge transfer in beekeeping</b> <b>Jiří Píza (Czech Republic)</b> <i>Knowledge transfer to young beekeepers</i> <b>Janko Božič (Slovenia)</b> <i>Knowledge transfer in beekeeping</i>
14.40- 15.20	<b>Pesticides and bees</b> <b>Noa Simon-Delso (Belgium)</b> <i>Honeybees: environmental patients</i> <b>Anton Komat (Slovenia)</b> <i>Pesticides and the poisoning of bees in Slovenia</i>
<b>BREAK</b>	
15:40– 16:20	<b>Management of foraging sources of bees</b> <b>Dan Eisikowitch (Israel)</b> <i>Nectar plants and their contribution to agriculture</i> <b>Boris Seražin (Slovenia)</b> <i>Climate change and associated changes in pasture conditions for bees and challenges for the future</i>
16:20– 17:00	<b>Promotion of bees and bee products</b> <b>Mladen Ljubišič (Slovenia)</b> <i>Opportunities and ways of promoting bees, beekeeping products and beekeeping tourism in the international environment - examples of good practices and initiatives for the promotion of beekeeping tourism in the UK market</i> <b>Tanja Korošec Arih (Slovenia)</b> <i>Beekeeping tourism as an exceptional opportunity in the example of a successful business model in Slovenia</i>
17:30	<b>Departure to Višnja Gora - the unveiling of a memorial plaque to celebrate the Carniolan honey bee</b>