

INVITATION

International conference

Global Citizenship Education: Addressing Inequalities and Conflicts

March 21-22, 2022 – Live Event

Ljubljana, Slovenia

Education is the key component of sustainable and socially just world, where no one is left behind. Global citizenship education (GCE) is addressing the root causes of global challenges and encourages the learners, educators, policy makers and societies, to join the change - the personal and societal transformation that is needed.

Several processes are reshaping Europe and the GCE landscape.

☀ This year marks the 20th anniversary of Maastricht declaration. There are ongoing processes with GENE and The North South Centre of the Council of Europe. ☀ European Commission has also been reviewing its DEAR programme, which with its announced calls for proposals supports European Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities in engaging people to address global challenges. ☀ European Union (EU) has an important and strategic role in providing support for the GCE, therefore the presidencies of the Council of the EU should also maintain the focus on it. ☀ The ongoing crisis, such as biodiversity crisis, climate crisis and covid-19 pandemic, have showed the urgency to stop, reflect, unlearn and transform. ☀ Finally, the current Russian invasion of Ukraine changed geopolitical reality – whole World as such.

Global Citizenship Education is even more needed than before, and the GCE community needs to reflect on the changes and emerging global challenges.

The two-day conference aims to bring together 50 civil society advocates, networkers, innovators in the field of GCE in Europe to create a message for policy and decision makers on the future of GCE, reflect on the current global challenges and provide opportunities to form project partnerships for the upcoming DEAR call for proposals.

International conference will be held live in Ljubljana, Slovenia, face to face, after long two years of social distancing. Welcome!

Registration

Please note that participants are required to register for the conference. Please, [fill in this registration form](#). Registration is open until March 14. Limited space available.

Conference Venue

The conference venue is the White Hall (Bela dvorana) at the [Union Hotels Collection](#), Miklošičeva 1, 1000 Ljubljana. It is in the [Ljubljana Centre](#). The venue is accessible for people with reduced mobility.

Tentative Program (will be updated on March 4)

March 21

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch for participants

13.00 – 13.30 Welcoming Address – representatives of EC and Slovenian government

13.00 – 14.00 Vanessa Andreotti, keynote speaker on global education and social transformation

14.00 – 15.00 Reflection panel on global citizenship education and social transformation

15.00 – 15.30 Break

15.30 – 16.45 Panel discussion on addressing inequalities and conflicts

16.45 – 18.15 Conference message to policy and decision makers – Facilitated Group Work with Sašo Kronegger

19.00 – Dinner

March 22

08.30 – 11.00 Group work *cont. with a coffee break*

11.00 – 12.30 Global education in a volatile, uncertain, complex, ambiguous (VUCA) world
Workshop with Rene Suša

12.30 – 13.00 Plenary – presenting common message to the decision makers and closure of the conference

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 18.00 Space for networking on future DEAR projects

In the afternoon of March 22 and morning of March 23 for those staying premises for the informal networking meetings will be available at the White hall.

18:00 End of conference

March 23 (Spring meeting of the CONCORD's GCE community)

Travel

Platform SLOGA will reimburse the travel costs after the event for the participants based on the documentation (boarding pass, travel itinerary, proof of payment and invoices) and signed participation lists at the event. We are able to reimburse your flight expenses if you arrive and leave 1 day before and after the event dates. For special cases, please contact us on conference@sloga-platform.org.

Should the cost of the return travel exceed 500 EUR, we ask you to contact us on conference@sloga-platform.org to confirm the flight before purchase. Although air traffic to and from Slovenia is functioning, you can also consider traveling to and from neighbouring airports, such as Zagreb (Croatia), Graz (Austria), Trieste (Italy) and using shuttle transport to Ljubljana ([Goopti](#) or similar). In such a case, please check with health administration requirements in specific countries (Croatia, Austria, Italy) as a transit traveller.

Local public transport to and from the airport Brnik and shuttle costs from named airports will also be reimbursed against receipts and tickets. Taxi can only be reimbursed in exceptional circumstances, e.g. if there is no public transport available at your arrival time, and if agreed in advance. We will send you the information on how to deal with the reimbursement claims before and after the conference.

Accommodation

SLOGA Platform will cover hotel accommodation for up to two nights for the participants (March 21 and March 22). We have pre-booked a number of hotel rooms in the Union Hotels Collection, Miklošičeva 1, 1000 Ljubljana. We will not be able to book your hotel room before receiving your flight tickets and the itinerary at conference@sloga-platform.org. We suggest that participants arrive on Monday, March 21 in the morning and depart on Tuesday, March 22 after the end of the programme (14.30).

Meals

All meals – vegetarian, local production – will be provided by the organizers in the Garden hall. Please be informed that we cannot reimburse meals outside of these arrangements.

Covid-19

As of February 19, 2022, restrictions due to Covid-19 no longer apply upon entering Slovenia. Meaning (1) the RVT (recovered/vaccinated/tested) condition no longer has to be met at the border and (2) travellers will no longer be ordered to quarantine.

To prevent the spread of Covid-19 at the conference, we will follow the national public health authority recommendations. Wearing a face mask - surgical mask II or IIR or a FFP2 or a FFP3 mask, is mandatory in all closed public spaces.

Visas

Participants are asked to review the visa information and requirements for their passports to enter Slovenia and to follow the instructions on the website in case a visa is needed.

Cancellation policy

In case of cancellations/no-show, SLOGA Platform will unfortunately not be able to return any costs related to one's participation at the conference.

Questions?

For any practical questions, please contact us at conference@sloga-platform.org.

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