



12th INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF YOUNG BEEKEEPERS – IMYB Ivančna Gorica, Slovenia, 3rd July – 7th July 2023

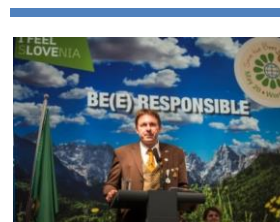
Dear beekeeping friends,

We are pleased to invite you to the International meeting of young beekeepers IMYB 2023. After difficult period of covid pandemic and eleven successful IMYB events so far, it is now possible to experience Slovenia for the first time in 2023. Slovenia is a homeland of Carniolan honeybee, land of good beekeepers and where first world bee day celebration took place.

The 12th meeting will be held in the municipality of Ivančna Gorica. The event will take place at the School centre of Ivančna Gorica. Accommodation and meals will be provided by the nearby Cistercian Abbey Stična which is the oldest and functioning monastery in Slovenia (1132 AD).

The aim of the event is to raise a generation of young beekeepers who can follow in the footsteps of their more experienced colleagues, and to help these young people grow fond of this independent profession so beneficial for the whole society. To achieve this, it is essential to gain the necessary knowledge and skills of keeping and understanding bees.

The event combines a competition for young participants with a rich cultural and social program, which enables them to meet other young people who share the same interests. We believe the meeting in Ivančna Gorica will continue in the good traditions of previous meetings and that it will attract up to 40 participating countries from all over the world hopefully making it the biggest world meeting of young beekeepers so far.



*First World Bee Day
Celebration in 2018*



The Carniolan Bee House



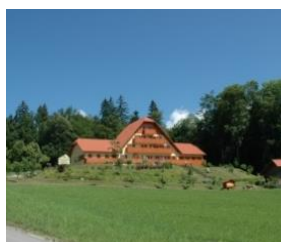
*Homeland of the Carniolan
Honeybee*



*Accommodation venue
Cistercian Abbey Stična
oldest Monastery in
Slovenia (1132 AD)*



*Competition venue School
centre of Ivančna Gorica*



*Slovenian beekeepers'
association*

IMYB 2023 – MAIN INFORMATION

Registration and participation fee

To prepare the event in the best possible way, we ask you to confirm your national team's participation and fill out the IMYB SLOVENIA 2023 REGISTRATION FORM by 15th February 2023 via online IMYB 2023 registration form. You will access the online registration form through this [link](#).

We ask you to pay the participation fee of 1000 EUR by 28th February 2023.



IMYB 2023 conditions of participation

- Timely country registration via the online Registration form by 15th February;
- Payment of the participation fee of 1000 EUR by 28th February 2023;
- Countries running a participants selection process on a national level will be given preference;
- Once the registration is finished, we will get in touch with the country contact person.

Participants

- Despite the great interest in this event, our accommodation capacities only allow us to accept up to 40 participating countries. The list of the countries will be published on the website.
- Each team consists of 3 young people aged 12 to 18. A team member must not turn 18 during the event. Maximum number of competitors is three. Four or more competitors are not allowed to come to IMYB 2023 for organisational reasons and rules of the competition itself!
- Each team is accompanied by 1 or 2 adult person(s), who will be responsible for the team members during the whole stay. Maximum number of accompanying adults is two. Three or more accompanying adults are not allowed to come to IMYB 2023 for organisational reasons!
- Teams represent their respective countries during the whole competition.

Competition tasks

The competition comprises following disciplines: theoretical knowledge test, microscopy, beekeeping tools identification, assembling a beehive, assembling a comb frame, honey extraction, honey recognition, bee plant identification, alternative pollinators, queen bee marking, grafting larvae, other beekeeping tasks and a special regional discipline.

International teams will be formed, will compete and will be evaluated. Results will be displayed for international teams, countries and individuals.

Sporting, cultural and social events as well as trips to interesting parts of the region and a conference for adults will be included. We will do our best to prepare an exciting and varied program.

Communication

The official language at this event will be English. The competition tasks will be translated into the participating countries' languages.

The venue for the competition and accommodation

Accommodation address: Cistercian Abbey Stična, Stična 17, SI-1295 Ivančna Gorica, Slovenia

Competition address: School centre of Ivančna Gorica, Cesta občine Hirschaid 1, SI-1295 Ivančna Gorica, Slovenia

Nearest airports

- Ljubljana Jože Pučnik airport, »Ljubljana (LJU)«
- Zagreb Franjo Tuđman airport, Croatia, »Zagreb (ZAG)«

Highway: Ljubljana airport – Ivančna Gorica (61 km), Zagreb airport – Ivančna Gorica (122 km) the organiser will arrange a shuttle transfer from both airports to Ivančna Gorica.



Costs

- Board and lodging costs as well as costs related to the program for participants and accompanying persons are covered by Slovenian organizers.
- Participants cover only travel expenses for flying to the nearest airport (Ljubljana or Zagreb), driving by car/bus/train to Ivančna Gorica and pay the participation fee of 1000 EUR per country. Bank commission costs are covered by participants and should not be deducted from this amount.
- Please pay the participation fee by 28th February 2023 to the following bank account:

Recipient name: Čebelarska zveza Slovenije

Recipient address: Brdo pri Lukovici 8, 1225 Lukovica, Slovenija

Payment purpose: Participation fee + name of your country (e.g., *Participation fee Czech Republic*)

Participation fee: 1000,00 EUR

IBAN: SI56 0318 6100 2214 727

Reference number: SI00-03072023

SWIFT BIC: SKBAS12X

Bank name: SKB

Bank address: Ajdovščina 4, 1513 Ljubljana, Slovenija

Contact persons

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Information about the event can be found at www.icyb.cz.

Let us cordially invite you to 12th IMYB in Ivančna Gorica, Slovenia!

Yours faithfully,

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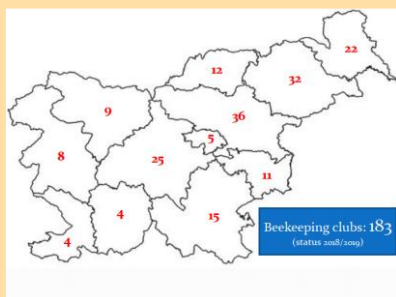


BEEKEEPING CLUBS IN SLOVENIA

In Slovenia beekeeping clubs have existed at elementary and high schools and at certain beekeeping societies for more than five decades. In 2019, there were more than 180 active beekeeping clubs in Slovenia and there are more than 2.200 children participating in them.



72 beekeeping clubs in 1978/1979



183 beekeeping clubs in 2018/2019



Beekeeping club in Krško



National competition for young beekeepers in 1991



National competition for young beekeepers in 2016



Observational hive



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Textbook for beekeeping



Apiary for disabled

Come! We will have a great time at the IMYB 2023 in Slovenia.

