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Energy Challenges for the Next Decade

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The 16th IAEE European Conference will be held in the charming city of Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia, and the seat of the EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER), in the premises of the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana (FELU). The conference brings together researchers in the area of energy economics, members of academia, energy industry professionals, policy makers, PhD students and all interested parties wishing to be a part of the debate.



Why decide to attend the 16th IAEE European Conference?

The central theme of the conference is Energy Challenges for the Next Decade, addressing the Europe's energy sector in the global energy industry, prospects for future energy markets, energy in the digital world with changing business models, energy in the final energy use (transport, innovation, technological changes, energy efficiency), energy access and the future role of consumers/prosumers, climate policy challenges and international governance of energy transition, among others. Topics will be discussed in eight (Dual) Plenary Sessions and more than sixty Concurrent sessions. You may consult the draft programme here. The conference will start with the opening address by Alenka Bratušek, Minister of Infrastructure, Christophe Bonnery, IAEE president and other distinguished guests. Plenary session chairs and speakers are among the most respected academics and professionals in the area of energy economics. For more information about the session topics, session chairs and confirmed speakers see the conference website.

PhD students and young professionals are invited to attend the PhD day on 25 August 2019, and are encouraged to take part in the IAEE Best Student Paper and Poster Award Competition. There will be two PhD day seminars offered free of charge: 'How to write papers for publication in scientific journals' (by Adonis Yatchew, Editor-in-Chief of the Energy Journal) and 'How to present research in scientific conferences (by Georg Erdmann, Berlin University of Technology, and Markus Graebig, WINDNode Project Leader). On 29 August 2019 Richard Green, Imperial College London, will deliver lectures in the Post-conference seminar on Energy Transition and Power Markets (please note that deadline for applications is 1 July 2019).

Why Slovenia?

Slovenia with around 2 million inhabitants was declared the world's most sustainable country in 2017.

Lonely Planet has released a list of top ten best-value destinations to visit in 2019, picking Slovenia as one of them. In 2018 Slovenia was ranked sixth out of 125 countries on the World Energy Council's Energy Trilemma Index. The beauty and diversity of nature, stunning architecture, and delicious food are just some of many reasons to visit the cuntry with five different landscapes, you can swim in the Adriatic sea in the morning and climb mountains (Julian Alps, Kamnik-Savinja Alps or Charintian-Slovenian Alps) in the afternoon. The

conference offers <u>Social tours</u> for accompanying persons to the most interesting places in Slovenia: Ljubljana; <u>Postojna cave, Predjama castle, Piran</u>, and the <u>Lake Bled</u>. We would also like to highlight the <u>Technical tours</u>: the first on 25 August to <u>Kidričevo Compressor Station</u> and <u>Ptuj Wine Cellar</u> and the second on 29 August to <u>Hydro power plant of Brežice</u> and the <u>Otočec Castle</u>. To discover more about Slovenia, you can visit this <u>website</u>, and watch the <u>promotional video</u>.



Why Ljubljana?

<u>Ljubljana</u> received the prestigious title of the <u>European Green Capital 2016</u>, and truly lives to its reputation. The vibrant city with 50,000 students and around 276,000 inhabitants hosts over 10,000 cultural events annually, including 10 international festivals. The highlight of the summer season is the <u>Ljubljana Festival</u>, an open air international festival with 61 years of tradition. The last weekend in August (this year: 29 to 31 August 2019) the whole Ljubljana hosts vibrant <u>Nights in Old Ljubljana Town</u>, a festival with a packed three-day programme of open-air events (free of charge). Make sure that you are not going to miss the opportunity to experience this atmosphere after the conference! The <u>Social events</u> in



the evenings will show the conference participants the best Ljubljana has to offer. The <u>Conference cocktail dinner</u> on 26 August 2019 awaits for you in the remarkable <u>Ljubljana castle</u>, and the <u>Gala dinner</u> on 27 August 2019 in the <u>Cankar's Hall</u>, the architectural landmark of Ljubljana.

For more information about the conference and registration fees, please visit: https://iaee2019ljubljana.oyco.eu/ (early bird
registration rates apply until 7 June 2019).