

## Visit to the company KOLPA and a lecture on the sustainable orientation of companies and the free ESG online tool for self-assessment

21st September 2023

From 12.00 to 15.00.

Location: Kolpa, d. o. o. Metlika:

Factory, Rosalnice 5

Showroom: Cesta XV. brigade 49

Participation is free of charge, but [pre-registration](#) is required.

Priority for available places goes to members!

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The event is organised by two sections of the Chamber of Commerce of Dolenjska and Bela Krajina (GZDBK): the Section for Quality ([SK](#)) and the Section for Environment and Energy ([SOE](#)) in cooperation with [Kolpa, d.o.o.](#) from Metlika and the Slovene Enterprise Fund ([SPS](#)) from Ljubljana.

### Exchange of good business practices

The GZDBK organises a number of forums, visits and exchanges of good business practices for companies, entrepreneurs and other working organisations. The Executive Committees of each Section draw up their own annual programme of activities and, as part of this programme, each Section ensures the exchange of good business practices through visits. This time, SK and SOE have set themselves a visit to [KOLPA](#).

### Guest lecture as part of the exchange of good business practices

This time we will also enrich the company visit with a lecture by Ana Vela from the Slovene Enterprise Fund on corporate sustainability and will also present a free online ESG tool for self-assessment of corporate sustainability.

You are cordially invited!

*Igor Cesar, President of the Section for Quality (SK) and Head of the Quality Department of Revoz, d.d., Novo mesto*

*Slavko Zupančič, President of the Section for Environment and Energy (SOE) and Head of Environment, ITS (Engineering and Technical Services) at Krka, d. d., Novo mesto*

*Zoran Bukovec, Member of the Executive Committee of the SK and the Executive Committee of the SOE and Head of Quality Control at Kolpa d.o.o., Metlika*

*Tomaž Kordiš, Manager of the Chamber of Commerce of Dolenjska and Bela Krajina (GZDBK)*

## **KOLPA, d. o. o. Metlika**

Kolpa is one of the leading manufacturers of bathroom fittings in Central and South-Eastern Europe. Since its foundation in 1978, Kolpa's operations have been based on know-how and continuous improvement. This attitude has created confidence in both their own operations and their products. The diversity of their product range meets the needs and desires of even the most demanding individuals. Aesthetic, functional, durable and top quality products create a pleasant environment in which people can nourish their body and mind and recharge themselves to meet the challenges and tasks of everyday life. The company's management and employees are always forward-looking. They use only the highest quality materials for their products and are constantly improving their technological processes. Their products are known under the Kolpasan, Kerrock and Kolpa solution brands. Kolpa has become an international company with its own products in Croatia, Serbia and Russia. They are an export-oriented company, selling at least 80% of their own products to demanding global markets. They are present in at least 44 countries.

The company recognises the importance of the business success, employees, their knowledge, efforts, loyalty and commitment, as well as the immediate environment in which it operates. They believe that employees are the most important factor in achieving high goals. That is why they recruit capable, flexible, innovative and motivated employees. And they support the environment through numerous donations and careful and responsible behaviour. KOLPA, d.d., Metlika has a responsible partnership attitude towards the social environment and individuals, which is reflected in the local and wider environment. Kolpa's social responsibility is reflected in numerous projects and donations to charity campaigns, cultural events, sporting events and support for the growth and development of the environment. They are aware that their positive attitude towards people and the environment will continue to build Kolpa's reputation. In October 2018 they received the [Exemplary Example of Human Resources Management Award](#) by the Chamber of Commerce of Dolenjska and Bela Krajina.

## **Ana Vele, Slovene Enterprise Fund (SPS)**

The lecture will be given by Ana Vele from the Strategic Planning and Legal Affairs Department of SPS. She is a member of the Fund's Board of Directors and the leader of a number of projects through which the Fund provides financial and substantive assistance to Slovenian companies and start-ups. She emphasises that the Fund carefully and continuously adapts its programme and operations to the needs of the entrepreneurial ecosystem and market conditions. The Fund's team makes every effort to ensure that the many current programmes are developed as soon as possible and that their concretization and implementation are maximized. Ms. Vele is, among others, the project leader who, on 13 June 2023, launched a free online tool - the [ESG Toolkit](#) - for the self-assessment of a company's sustainability performance. With the tool, the Fund aims to directly help companies on their way to a low-carbon sustainable business transition. (Sustainable financing or redirecting public and private investments towards sustainable economic activities is key to the transition towards a low-carbon, more sustainable, resource-efficient and circular economy and society (2030 Agenda, Paris Agreement, European Green Deal).)

## **Content**

Please be on time when you arrive at the company ([factory: Rosalnica 5, Metlika](#)). It is necessary to arrange the registration of visitors at the reception. There we will first take a tour of the company.

Then we will gather in the showroom ([Cesta XV. brigade 49, Metlika](#)), in the conference room and listen to the welcome speech and the presentation of quality management, energy and environmental management in KOLPA. This will be followed by a lecture by the guest SPS representative, Ana Vela.

Then we will hear a speech by Tomaž Kordiš, Manager of GZDBK, on the innovation ecosystem and networking, which is also promoted at GZDBK through the [SRC-EDIH project](#).

We will end the visit with a get-together over a banquet so that the attendees can freely exchange views, insights and experiences.

#### AGENDA:

12.00 - 12.05 Reception of participants at the company's factory

12.05 - 12.50 welcome speech by the host and guided tour of the production site

12.50 - 13.00 departure from the factory and arrival at the company's showroom

13.00 - 13.20 Quality, energy and environmental management at Kolpa

13.20 - 14.05 corporate sustainability and [ESG toolkit](#)

14.05 - 14.15 Innovation ecosystem and networking ([SRC-EDIH](#))

14.15 - 15.00 Time for attendees to mingle over a banquet

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