

## **Fifteen Years of the Slovenian State**

### **Major events**

#### **20 May 2006: City of Maribor. Pekre near Maribor.**

17.30: Main ceremony on the occasion of the commemorative day of the City of Maribor.

Speaker: Mr Janez Janša, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the City of Maribor, the Slovenian Armed Forces, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, and the Sever Association.*

#### **15 June 2006: Municipality of Celje. Celje – Museum of Recent History.**

18.00: Opening of an exhibition '*United in Victory – Independence War in 1991 in the Celje Region*'; the exhibition is part of the project '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

Speaker: Dr Vasko Simoniti, Minister of Culture of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Museum of Recent History Celje.*

#### **16 June 2006: Municipality of Murska Sobota. Murska Sobota Barracks.**

15.00: Celebration

Speakers: Mr Anton Štihec, Mayor of Murska Sobota;

Mr Karl Erjavec, Minister of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Municipality of Murska Sobota, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, and the Sever Association.*

13.30: Murska Sobota Regional Museum. Opening of the exhibition '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*' by the opening of an exhibition of photographs '*Images of War*'.

Speaker: Mr Anton Štihec, Mayor of Murska Sobota.

*Organised by the Regional Museum of Murska Sobota.*

#### **16 June 2006: City of Ljubljana. Ljubljana – City Museum.**

12.00: Opening of an exhibition '*Inhabitants of Ljubljana! We stand before a historic decision.*' Ljubljana during the time of democratisation and the struggle for Slovene Independence (1987-1991); part of the project '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

Speaker: Mrs Danica Simšič, Mayor of Ljubljana.

*Organised by the City Museum of Ljubljana.*

**17 June 2006: City of Maribor. Maribor – Habakuk Hotel.**

9.00: Seminar and panel discussion entitled '*United in Victory*'.

Speakers: Dr Milan Zver, Minister of Education and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia;

Mr Boris Sovič, Mayor of Maribor; and Andreja Valič Zupan, MA, President of the Association of History Teachers in Slovenia.

*Organised by the Ministry of Education and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia, the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Slovenia, the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Slovenia, the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia, the Association of History Teachers in Slovenia, the National Education Institute, the Sever Association, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, the Slovenian Armed Forces, the National Museum of Contemporary History.*

**20 June 2006: City of Ljubljana. Cankarjev dom – Linhart Hall.**

19.00: Multi-media film by the Studio Serpentes team, Mr Jože Dežman and Mr Jože Možina '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*', and presentation of a commemorative publication '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

Speaker: Mr Lojze Peterle, Prime Minister of the first democratically elected Slovenian government and MEP.

*Organised by the National Museum of Contemporary History, M.G. Serpentes.*

**21 June 2006: City of Ljubljana.**

16.00: Čopova Street and Prešernov Square. A multi-media event on the occasion of the celebration, promotion and opening of the exhibition and publication '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

20.00: National Museum of Contemporary History, Cekin Castle. Opening of the Exhibition '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

Speaker: Dr France Bučar, President of the Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia from 1990 to 1992.

*Organised by the National Museum of Contemporary History, M.G. Serpentes, the Military Museum of the Slovenian Armed Forces, the Slovenian Police Museum, the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia, the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia, and the RTV Slovenia.*

### **23 June 2006: Municipality of Kočevje. Kočevje.**

17.00: Regional Museum of Kočevje. Opening of the exhibition '*The nation will write its own destiny. Slovenia from an idea to a state*'; part of the project '*The Independence of Slovenia – United in Victory*'.

*Organised by the Regional Museum of Kočevje.*

19.00: Šešek Home. Main ceremony.

Speakers: Mr Janko Veber, Mayor of Kočevje and member of the National Assembly; Mr Lojze Peterle, Prime Minister of the first democratically elected Slovenian government and MEP.

*Organised by the Municipality of Kočevje.*

### **23 June 2006: City of Maribor. Maribor – Knight's Hall, Maribor Castle, Grajska ul. 2.**

18.00: Main ceremony.

Speakers: Mr Boris Sovič, Mayor of Maribor; Mr Borut Pahor, MEP.

*Organised by the City of Maribor.*

### **23 June 2006: Municipality of Postojna. Slavina.**

20.00: Ceremony, including a cultural programme.

Speaker: Mr France Cukjati, MD, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Municipality of Postojna.*

**24 June 2006: City of Ljubljana.**

11.00: Cankarjev dom. Ceremony, including the unveiling of a memorial plaque.

Speaker: Mr Igor Bavčar.

*Organised by the Coordinating Committee for State Celebrations of the Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia.*

18.00: National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia. Commemorative session of the Socio-political Chamber.

Speaker: Dr Ludvik Toplak, the then President of the Socio-political Chamber.

*Organised by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia.*

18.15: National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia. Commemorative session of the Chamber of Communities.

Speaker: Mr Ivan Bizjak, then President of the Chamber of Communities.

*Organised by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia.*

18.30: National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia. Commemorative session of the Chamber of Associated Labour.

Speaker: Mr Jože Zupančič, then President of the Chamber of Associated Labour.

*Organised by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia.*

18.30: National Museum of Contemporary History – Ceremonial Hall. Welcome reception for children born on 25 June 1991.

Speaker: Dr Milan Zver, Minister of Education and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Ministry of Education and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia.*

19.00: Trg republike Square. Opening of the programme on Trg republike Square.

*Organised by the Coordinating Committee for State Celebrations of the Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia.*

19.30: National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia. Commemorative session of the National Assembly.

Speakers: Mr France Cukjati, MD, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia; Dr France Bučar, President of the Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia from 1990 to 1992.

*Organised by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia, Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia.*

21.15: Trg republike Square. The main state ceremony on the occasion of National Day.

Speaker: Mr Janez Janša, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Coordinating Committee for State Celebrations of the Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia.*

**25 June 2006: Municipality of Celje. Celje – Trg svobode Square.**

11.00: The main regional celebration on the occasion of National Day, including unveiling a statue, and a memorial plaque, and cultural programme.

Speakers: Mr Bojan Šrot, Mayor of Celje, Mr Lojze Peterle, Prime Minister of the first democratically elected Slovenian government and Member of European Parliament; Mr Karl Erjavec, Minister of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Municipality of Celje.*

**25 June 2006: Municipality of Tržič. Ljubelj.**

14.00: Main celebration of the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia Gorenjska.

Speakers: Mr Pavel Rupar, Mayor of Tržič and Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia; Mr Dragutin Mate, Minister of the Interior of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Municipality of Tržič, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, the Sever Association.*

**25 June 2006: Municipality of Nova Gorica. Rožna Dolina – border crossing.**

18.00: Ceremony including a cultural programme and honour-guard company of the Slovenian Armed Forces.

Speaker: Mr Karl Erjavec, Minister of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Municipality of Nova Gorica, and veteran associations.*

**27 June 2006: Municipality of Prevalje. Holmec – border crossing.**

13.00: Main celebration on the occasion of Police Day, and to commemorate the 15th anniversary of Slovenia's independence.

Speaker: Mr Janez Janša, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Police, the Sever Association, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia.*

**27 June 2006: Municipality of Trzin. Trzin – the main square at Ljubljanska cesta.**

19.00: Ceremony and a commemorative event on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the Battle of Trzin.

Speaker: Mr Karl Erjavec, Minister of the Defence of the Republic of Slovenia.

*Organised by the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, the Municipality of Trzin, the Municipality of Domžale, the Municipality of Mengeš, the Municipality of Lukovica, the Municipality of Moravče.*

**27 – 28 June 2006: City of Ljubljana. Ljubljana.**

Celebration on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of Slovenian World Congress.

*Organised by the Slovenian World Congress.*

**29 June 2006: City of Ljubljana. Ljubljana – Center Evropa.**

13.00: Panel discussion, with domestic and foreign media representatives, on the occasion of 15th anniversary of the Slovene Press Agency entitled '*Media and the European Union*'.

*Organised by the Slovene Press Agency.*

**26 October 2006: Municipality of Koper. Koper – pier.**

16.00: Unveiling of a statue on the occasion of the anniversary of the departure of the last soldier of the Yugoslav People's Army.

Speaker: Mr Lojze Peterle, Prime Minister of the first democratically elected Slovenian government and Member of European Parliament.

*Organised by the Municipality of Koper, the Association of Veterans of the War for Slovenia, the Sever Association, the General Staff of the Slovenian Armed Forces.*

**10 November 2006: Municipality of Kočevje. Kočevska Reka.**

12.00: 15th anniversary of the first formation of the permanent force of the Territorial defence force, the oath of allegiance, and the presentation of regimental colours

*Organised by the Slovenian Armed Forces.*