

‘Innovative Learning Environments’ PLA and EAAL Forum in Ljubljana, Slovenia, 18–20 June 2025



Programme (draft)

18 June 2025: EAAL PLA meeting (at SIAE premises)

15.00–16.30 Presentations and discussion

- **The Slovenian Institute for Adult Education (SIAE) and the Slovenian system of adult education**
Dr Nataša Potočnik, SIAE directress
- **Guidance and validation in adult education and learning**
Andreja Dobrovoljc, MSc, and Vera Mlinar, both SIAE

16.30–17.00 *Break*

17.00–18.30 Presentations and discussion

- **From Lifelong Learning Weeks (1996–2025) to a large awareness-raising and media campaign for lifelong learning (1924–2028)**
Zvonka Pangerc Pahernik, MSc, and Urška Bittner Pipan, MSc
- PLA examples from other countries of the Innovative Learning Environments cluster:
 - **Estonian experiences in promoting adult learning**
Sirje Plaks, Association of Estonian Adult Educators – Andras
 - **Innovative adult learning environments in Latvia**
Laura Iveta Peniga, Ministry of Education and Science

19 June 2025: EAAL Forum on Innovative Learning Environments (at Center Rog)

9.15–9.30 *Registration*

9.30–11.30 Presentations and discussion

- **Welcome speech**
Dr Nataša Potočnik, SIAE directress
- **Center Rog – a hub for creativity and learning**
Renata Zamida, directress of Center Rog
- **Ode to Stunning Learning for All**, keynote speech
[Dr Pieter Sprangers](#), educational futurist and designer

11.30–12.50 *Lunch and visiting the exhibition [Future Legacies – MADE IN Platform](#)*

13.00–15.00 Presentations and discussion

- **Outcomes of the European Year of Skills and the Union of Skills as a future outlook**
Maya Ivanova, European Commission, DG EMPL
- **Study circles: When a click is replaced by conversation**
Erika Švara, SIAE
- **Empower Young People for Dialogue. Tools for youth workers and educators who want to overcome polarization**
Matej Cepin, Social Academy
- **Forest Libraries – Where nature meets knowledge**
Alenka Štrukelj, SIAE
- Conclusion

20 June 2025: Field trip and meeting with Ddr Ana Vovk, [Dole Estate](#) and International Centre for Self-Sufficiency

8.30–15.00 Departure from Ljubljana and return to Ljubljana, transport is provided by SIAE;

(see video on this very interesting innovative learning environment: **A story of coexistence and abundance**: <https://youtu.be/G9NAz4ELz-U>, turn on English subtitles)

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