



18th KM FEST Global Festival of Knowledge Management
4th SFK- Slovenian Festival of Knowledge
1st Strategic Development Conference of the Competence Center ROBOFLEX
Celje, 23-25.9.2019, EU-Slovenia

Information

This KM FEST - International Knowledge Management Festival is also the first strategic-development conference of the Competence Center ROBOFLEX, at the same time. KM FEST represents one of the open innovation platforms of the global partnership, which is carried out under the umbrella of the international virtual living laboratory LENS Living Lab. The platform partners are regional KM FEST coordinators from Denmark, Greece, India, South Africa, Germany, Poland, Slovenia, and the USA. The most active partner comes from Denmark, where started first regional PM festivals. We adopted and extended this concept of local events, and create a global network of events organizers, today recognized under the brand name KM FEST. The discussion themes are connected to industry 4.0 enabling technologies, emerging new business models and competencies, the industry-focused discussions, permanent search of collaborative innovation opportunities, and partnership in the organization of KM FEST events. We organized eighteen (18) KM FEST events since 2008. This KM FEST will be the fourth (4) such event in Slovenia.

Co-organizers of this year event are regional and international strategic development partners of the Competence Center (CC) ROBOFLEX and international partners of the LENS Living Lab innovation network.

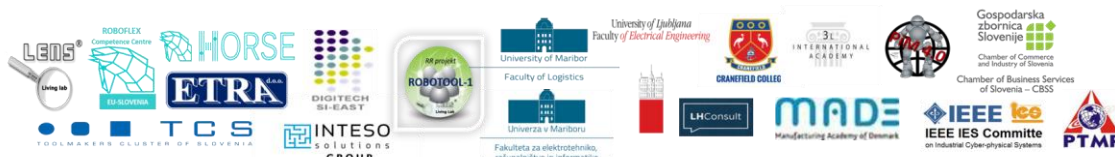
The first group of partners is coming from the regional partnering innovation project "ROBOTool-1", coordinated by ETRA Ltd. and from the group of EU partners, engaged in innovation project HORSE. Both projects are focused on the development of advanced production robot systems and smart factory applications. The HORSE project goal is also the establishment of a pilot network of regional competence centers in the EU.

The second group of international partners is coming from the LENS Living Lab open innovation community.

The first-day goals are to find out what technological solutions and opportunities are offered by the international and regional partners of the CC ROBOFLEX. What are their strategic development intentions and identification of collaboration opportunities?

We'll learn about the different practices and business models of partner competence centers and their digital innovation ecosystems (DIHs) in the second day. The HORSE project competence centers from Germany, France, the Netherlands, and Slovenia will be discussed. We'll also have the opportunity to learn about the practical experiences from Denmark and Croatia and to hear what is happening in this regard in India, South Africa, and China.

The competencies and corporate culture that we need for successful work and achievement of the set development goals will be on the agenda of the third day. Colleagues from Denmark will share their practices, experiences, and present the field research results. We'll talk about various innovation initiatives and programs, including the challenges and trends in the field of business consulting.





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We'll conclude all daily presentations with the moderated open discussion where participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and comments. The conclusions of the round tables will be published later on the websites of KM FEST, CC ROBOFLEX, and other social media.

Besides, we'll organize two open table discussions before dinner and at the end of the third day. The theme of the first will be "**Challenges for regional, national, and international leaders - are we going in the right direction?**". The purpose of this round table is to encourage lateral-unconventional thinking and discussion to identify areas of urgent changes and improvements needed to develop the effectiveness and efficiency of regional and international innovation ecosystems.

We will have the opportunity to participate in the second open table discussion, before completing KM FEST. This discussion will be organized in collaboration with the Slovenian Chamber of Commerce and its Association for Management Consulting. The discussion topic will be "**People - Technology - Society - Environment.**" The purpose of the discussion is to draw attention to the broader societal changes brought by new technologies and Industry 4.0 business models for the individual and the society in which we live.

More info on the KM FEST website: <http://kmfest.com/>

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