



ORDO EQUESTRIS VINI EUROPAE
Konzulat za Slovenijo



Dear ladies and gentlemen !

On our behalf and on behalf of the knightly order **ORDO EQUESTRIS VINI EVROPAE** of the Consulate for Slovenia, it is our great honor to invite you to

**ANNUAL GRAND KNIGHT CEREMONY
with accreditations and enthronements,**

which will be held on **SATURDAY, 11th May 2024 with the start of the GATHERING at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Hotel TOPLICE Bled – Cesta svobode 12, 4260 Bled**
/www.sava-hotels-resorts.com/

Members of the order, candidates and guests are invited to the ceremony. The invitation applies to the invitee and the companion! Participation is mandatory for invited accredited persons, enthroned members, members of the Council and officials, for other members of the Order of Knights, participation is a chivalry!

They are expected to wear knight's attire and insignia are mandatory, for the wearers of regalia also regalia, for ladies and gentlemen suitable dark blue clothes!

Register for the event by transferring the **amount of €75.00/per person by 3rd May 2024** at the latest to partially cover the costs to the following checking account. European Order of Wine Knights Association, Consulate of Slovenia, Linhartova 49 a, 1000 Ljubljana, no. TRR **SI56 0315 7100 0635 339** at SKB. Enter "**knight ceremony**" in the "purpose" field. Leave the "reference" field blank.

We look forward to seeing you!
PAX et LATITIA et SANITAS SEMPER NOBISCUM
In Honorem Dei et In Honorem Vini!

General Consul Primus Senatus dr. prof. A.R. Tombor Tintera, Magister Generalis
General kapitän Senat Consul secundus Alois Paul
Senator, EU Senat Rektor prvi prokonzul, OKT Tomislav Kovačič, eques ornatus
Drugi Prokonzul, Mag. Srečko Kenda, eques de vino
Tretji Prokonzul, Senat Digniter, OKT Franc Vrezner, eques de vino
Prokonzul Administrator, OKT Anton Pezdirc, eques de vino

EVENT PROGRAM:

10.00

- Gathering on the terrace of the GH Toplice Hotel by Lake Bled
- Registration of participants PCA Tone Pezdirc
- welcome glass and knight's snack
- Registration of accredited and enthroned persons at 10:30 a.m. at the officiating marshals-green beret
- Formation of the knightly procession at 11:20 a.m. and departure by the lake, past the seat of the municipality of Bled, to the Bled Festival Hall - Congress Center / Cesta svobode 12/ - the knightly procession is accompanied by the Gorje Band
- /www.kongresni-center-bled.si/

11.45

- Organized entrance to the **large congress hall** //

12.00

- Introductory greeting to the VVS participants Tomislav Kovačič 1st Proconsul
- Greetings from the Mayor of Bled Municipality, Mr. Anton Mežan
- Short cultural program – Music school -Radovljica- group of flutes
- Lecture – Grand cru. Goriška Brda&Colio - Alis Marinič, chavalier G.c

12.45

KNIGHTLY TACT-CEREMONY

- Slovenian national anthem
- Avizo-Fanfare
- Welcome address by the Grand Master of OEVE MG Consul General Alfred. R. T. Tintera and senate visitor consul gen. Prefect - Franc Zlatko Dreu
- Avizo- Fanfare
- Blessing of the insignia, utensils and knight's wine
- Prologue, Accreditations and enthronements
- Group photography
- Knight's and European anthems - performed by the brass band Gorje

13.30

Fanfare

- Formation of the knightly circle in front of the Festival Hall, greeting the Wine Queen of Slovenia and the announcement of the Knight's wine for the year 2024, Pinot Noir - "pavo 2021" - Kristančič winery, Medana - Goriška Brda with a knightly salute of the IHDV and an anthem to the wine continent of Europe - the continent of friendship and peace
- Departure in a procession to GH Toplice

14.30

- AGAPE – GH Toplice - Ceremonial knightly lunch with selected wines "Grand Cru Goriška Brda&Colio with cultural program and greetings of guests from foreign Consulates

17.00

- Presentation of the winemakers and serving staff of the GH Toplice guest house, as well as knightly expert commentary on food and wines /consular gastronome eques Boris Gašparin and oenologists/
- End of the event and farewell –

The implementation of the ceremony is coordinated by marshals-knights /A. Repše and T. Magdič, S. Todor. /,

The program of the event will connect – konferansjē: Peter Kirič, judex de vino

Parking lots; public parking lots in Bled /see attachment/, places reserved for guests at their request!