

## Presentation of the candidates for members of the Supervisory Board

**Matej Pirc**, born in 1977, is from Kranj. He has graduated in economics. He has enrolled his postgraduate studies at the University of Maribor, Faculty of Law, in the field of tax law, and at the University of Maribor, Faculty of Economics and Business, in the fields of accounting and audit. He has worked as a senior manager in the Mercator Group both in the controlling company and in the subsidiaries in the countries of South-Eastern Europe. He has thus gained experience in managing supporting functions of a big international company, primarily in the following areas: finance, accounting, controlling, investment and development, IT, human resources, legal and general affairs, managing development, and liquidity and financial risk management.

From May 2013 until April 2014 he was a member of the Management Board of Slovenska odškodninska družba (SOD) restitution fund. In April 2014, he assumed the management of Slovenski državni holding (SDH, Slovenian Sovereign Holding). He is the President of the Management Board of SDH and is accountable for capital asset management, company restructuring, availability of assets, denationalisation, settling liabilities under various laws, and other related areas.

He has also been acting as the President of the Supervisory Board of GEN energija, d. o. o.

**Andrej Slapar**, born in 1972, is from Ljubljana. He holds a university degree in law. In May 2013, he became the President of the Management Board of Zavarovalnica Triglav. He has been a member of the Management Board since 2009.

He manages and directs the work of the Management Board and its services (Management Board Office, Legal Office, Internal Audit Department, Corporate Communication Department, and Compliance Office), the Life Insurance Development and Actuarial Department, and the Non-Life Insurance Development and Actuarial Department. He is in charge of the Life Insurance Division, the Corporate Accounts Division, senior management staffing, Arbitration, Nuclear Pool GIZ and the Supplemental Health Insurance Division. He also represents Zavarovalnica Triglav in the Council of the Slovenian Insurance Association.

He is the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Pozavarovalnica Triglav Re, d.d. Ljubljana, a member of the Supervisory Board of Abanka Vipava, d. d., and the Chairman of the Council of the Slovenian Insurance Association.

**Anja Strojini Štampar MSc, MBA**, born in 1973, is from Ljubljana. After graduating from the University in Ljubljana, Faculty of Law, she was employed by the High Court in Ljubljana. In 1999, she passed the state examination in law and was employed as an expert assistant by the department of commercial law at the District Court in Ljubljana. In 2001, she completed her postgraduate studies and was employed by Kapitalska družba, where she first acted as an independent legal advisor, and then managed its Legal Department between 2002 and 2007. Since then she has continued her career as an attorney at law. From November 2007 until March 2009 she was the Head of Commercial and International Law Department for Miro Senica in odvetniki attorneys at law. In July 2009, she was appointed as a member of the Management Board of Kapitalska družba. In May 2014, the Supervisory Board of Kapitalska družba appointed her a member of the Management Board for another term in office.

She completed her post-graduate studies in international business law (LL.M.) at the McGill University in Montreal, Canada, and gained her MSc title in 2002. In 2004, she graduated from the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Arts, in French and general linguistics. In 2014, she completed the international MBA programme, management and organisation, at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics. Over more than 10 years of managerial practice, she has gained expertise and experience in corporate management and organisation, business process management, strategic management and team and project management. She participated in the foundation of Zaprti vzajemni pokojninski sklad za javne uslužbence (ZVPSJU, Closed Mutual Pension Fund for Civil Servants) and Kritni sklad Sklada obveznega dodatnega pokojninskega zavarovanja (KS SODPZ, Guarantee Fund of the Compulsory Supplementary Pension Insurance Fund), from which Kapitalska družba has been paying for occupational pensions since 2013. She has been an active member of supervisory boards in various Slovenian private and public companies, and among other, between 2009 and 2013 chaired the Supervisory Board of Aerodrom Ljubljana, d. d. She has been a member in various work teams of the Slovenian Directors' Association and participated in drafting the recommendations for corporate governance good practice.

She has authored several expert articles from the area of insurance, pension fund management, supplementary pension insurance, corporate management and corporate law and given lectures at several seminars.

**Jože Mermal**, born in 1954, is from Ljubljana. He has graduated in economics and has been successfully managing the BTC Company for 22 years. He has been engaged in various important work posts since 1978. He has initiated and managed the project of restructuring and transforming public warehouses into a successful, dynamic and rapidly expanding company that has also become one of the largest business, shopping, sports and entertainment centres: the BTC City.

He has received several awards for his work, among other the *Manager of the Year* in 1997 and the *Primus Award* for excellence in communication in 2001 by the Slovenian Public Relations Society. He has avidly supported culture and received the title of the *Cultural Patron of the Year* in 2011. In 2013, the Municipality of Ljubljana conferred the *Marjan Rožanc Award* on Mermal for achievements in sports. His visionary management and creativity in the BTC Company earned him the *Vision Manager Award*, which is conferred by public relations experts from South-Eastern Europe. In 2014, the Slovenian Chamber of Commerce and Industry awarded him for exceptional business and entrepreneurial achievements in the category of large companies for the year 2013. BTC Company itself has been bestowed several important awards and integrated in various projects in its wider environment.

**Jože Mermal** is a member of the Supervisory Board of Prva pokojninska družba pension fund, a member of the presidency of Zveza ekonomistov Slovenije (an association of economists), a member of The Slovenian Science Foundation, a member of the Executive Board of the Managers' Association of Slovenia, and a member of The Advisory Council for the FELU. He is also involved in management of many sports organisations.

**Professor Julijana Kristl PhD**, born in 1953, is from Ljubljana. She holds a PhD in pharmaceutical science. In 1977 she was employed by the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Ljubljana. She continued her studies in the pharmaceutical industry at the University of

Geneva and elsewhere. She conducts research, gives lectures on all three cycles of university education, heads several commissions and committees and participates in them. Her research work focuses on modern active substance delivery systems, nanotechnology, biomaterials and biomedical evaluation. She is the author of more than 150 articles in renowned international journals and three patents. She has been a guest lecturer at the universities in Lyon, Berlin, Bonn, Pisa, Cagliari and elsewhere.

She has held a range of leadership and organisational positions including Vice-Dean (1991-1995), the Head of the Chair of Pharmaceutical Technology, for two terms as the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Ljubljana (1999–2003), two terms as the Vice-Rector at the University of Ljubljana (2005–2013) and since June 2014 the President of the Management Committee of the Faculty of Pharmacy. She is member of the American Chemical Society, USA, Controlled Release Society, USA, Association de pharmacie galenique industrielle, France and other associations and editorial boards of the Journal of Drug Delivery Science and Technology, Journal of Biomedical Nanotechnology in European Journal of Pharmaceutics and Biopharmaceutics. She is a peer reviewer for more than 30 international scientific journals with an impact factor ranking. Due to her wide recognition and renown in the scientific community, she frequently evaluates doctoral dissertations and research projects at foreign universities and agencies.

Her expertise covers planning, development and assessment of medicinal products, and she also has experience in obtaining marketing authorisations.

**Associate Professor Sergeja Slapničar PhD**, born in 1971, is from Lesce. She holds a doctorate in management and organisation, and started her career as an intern at Deloitte & Touche Ljubljana in 1994. In 1995 she was employed as an assistant for accountancy and auditing by the Faculty of Economics at the University of Ljubljana, where she still works as an associate professor and a lecturer of several subjects. She is the author of a number of scientific and professional works, and a member of the European Accounting Association, the American Accounting Association (EAA and AAA) and the Slovenian Directors' Association.

Since June 2013, she has been a member of the Supervisory Board of NLB and for the second term in office the President of the Settlement Committee under Article 609 of the Companies Act of Slovenia (ZGD-1) for examining share exchange ratios applied in company ownership transformations. She gives lectures at the training courses at Slovenian Directors' Association, the Bank Association of Slovenia, SIQ, and Centre for Business Excellence at Faculty of Economics of University of Ljubljana. In the period from 2008 to 2010 she was a member of the Council of Experts at the Agency for the Public Oversight of Auditing.