

## Dear sport lovers!

Every year, at the closure of the skating season (at the beginning of April or end of March) Jesenice and Kranjska Gora become the scene for the competition of the best young figure skaters from all over the world. This year is going to be organised for the 25th time.

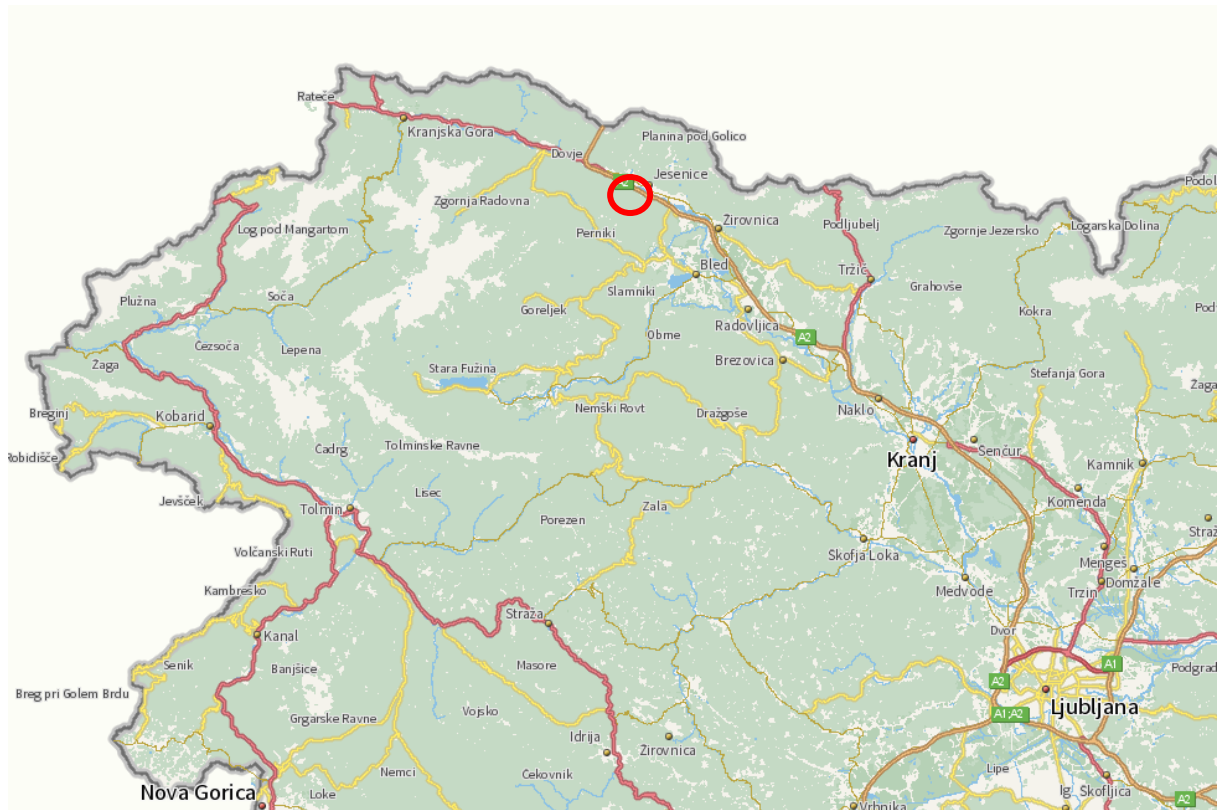
The competition is hosted in Jesenice ice hall Podmežakla and has its roots from the year 1992. From then on it has grown to be one of the most important events in the framework of International Ice skating Union. It is rated immediately after senior and junior world championships.



Jesenice is a Slovenian town and the seat of the Municipality of Jesenice on the southern side of the Karawanks, bordering Austria to the north.

Jesenice is known as the Slovenian home of mining and iron making industries, its largest steel company Acroni and its ice-hockey club, Acroni Jesenice.

Jesenice is well known for its tradition in ice skating and ice hockey.





Over 100 skaters (cadets, juniors and seniors) from all over the world compete for the Triglav Trophy every year. The competition is regularly attended by all important ice skating world powers (such as USA, Japan, Korea, Russia, Canada and all the European countries) with their young promising ice skaters.



Some of the biggest names of world ice skating have competed at the Jesenice ice ring. Many of them became important competitors later, in junior and senior classes, some of them European and World champions and even Olympic winners, such as Shizuka Arakawa, Stephane Lambiel, Yuna Kim, EvanLysacek, Rachael Flatt, Elena Radionova, Aikiko Suzuki and many others.



### **Stephane Lambiel (SUI)**

from Switzerland won the gold medal in the Triglav Trophy as a junior in the year 1997. After that, he became world champion twice - in the year 2005 and 2006. In the Olympic Games in Torino (2006) he won silver medal.

### **Javier Fernandez (ESP)**

He competed in Triglav Trophy in year 2005 and 2006 as Advance Novice Boy and was the 4<sup>th</sup> both times.

He is three - times European champion, in 2013, 2014, 2015 and two – times World bronze medalist (2013, 2014) and the 4<sup>th</sup> in the Olymics in 2014.





### **Yuna Kim (KOR)**

She is one of the best world skaters. Yuna Kim was the World champion in 2009 and 2013, she also won Olympic gold in 2010 and silver in 2014.

In Jesenice she competed and won gold in 2002.



### **Akiko Suzuki (JPN)**

She is bronze World medalist in 2012.

She won 1<sup>st</sup> place at Triglav Trophy in Senior Ladies in 2011.



### **Ashley WAGNER (USA)**

She competed as a junior at Triglav Trophy in 2006 and won 1<sup>st</sup> place. She was USA Champion in 2012, 2013, 2015 and Olympic participant in 2014, where she took 7<sup>th</sup> place.



### **Elena RADIONOVA (RUS)**

She competed as a junior at Triglav Trophy in 2013 and won 1<sup>st</sup> place. She was junior world champion in 2013 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> in the European championship in 2015.





Among all this glittering names Slovenia also has its own hero. His name is Gregor Urbas, and on his home ice he won six gold medals. He comes from Jesenice and he is the best Slovenian skater of all time. In the year 2007 he was 9th at the European championship, and this is the best Slovene result in the international championship of this sport.

After the performance at the Olympic Games in the year 2010, Gregor Urbas concluded his sport career as a competitor.





Skaters of the Skating Club Jesenice in season 2013/2014.



Skaters of the Skating Club Jesenice in December 2015.



The Triglav Trophy competition is quite a big organising challenge for members of the Organising Committee, which consists of members of the Jesenice Skating club and executive members of the Slovene Skating Union, but it is also a good opportunity for promoting Slovenia and the Gorenjska region outside its borders. In the time of the competition Slovenia is visited not only from competitors, but also from their coaches and a lot of other companions, as competition is one of the most popular official International competitions in this sport. The Organising Committee so far got a very positive feedback from many competitors, coaches, team leaders and other accompanying members. The nicest (and almost personal) are as presented below:



Big Thanks from Natalia Popova -  
coach of Turkish Team.

This is my 5th time at Triglav Trophy.  
Last year I was really feeling sorry for you  
when all computers were stolen during  
the competition. But you are great  
guys you didn't only recovery after this,  
you improve technical staff and organization,  
you did your "Personal Best" at this  
competition.

I would like to thank President Mr. Vinko  
Otovič, I would like to thank all organizing  
committee, I would like to thank all  
~~referees~~, technical controllers, technical specialists  
and judges for a fair play, for their  
patience and supporting skaters.

I wish Triglav Trophy to continue lots of years,  
I wish great skaters from many countries  
come here and I wish friendship and  
fair play will be always here.

Congratulations to all skaters, coaches  
and Team leaders.

Hope to see you next year.

Natalia Popova  
04.04.2010

All who like sports, especially ice skating are invited to the Jesenice ice hall in March  
2016 and be part of a top skating event of the 25<sup>th</sup> Triglav Trophy 2016.

Organising Committee  
Triglav Trophy 2016