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Dear Sir/Madam,

As the tourist season approaches, we would like to kindly inform you about the regulations for providing tourist guide services in the Republic of Slovenia. Our aim is to ensure that trips run as smoothly as possible, with minimal disruptions and plenty of wonderful experiences. We would greatly appreciate it if you could share this information with all relevant stakeholders.

In Slovenia, individuals who are citizens of EU member states and are already licensed tourist guides in their home countries may provide tourist guiding services temporarily without a Slovenian tourist guide certification. However, if tourist guides from an EU member state wish to work permanently as tourist guides in Slovenia, they must meet the same requirements as Slovenian citizens. This includes either passing the Slovenian tourist guide exam administered by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia in the Slovenian language or having their tourist guide diploma recognized (nostrified) by the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Tourism, and Sports.

Citizens of third countries (non-EU countries) who wish to provide tourist guiding services in Slovenia are required to obtain a Slovenian tourist guide certification by passing the exam in the Slovenian language, administered by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia.

Tourist guides must always wear an appropriate identification badge visible while performing their duties as a tourist guide.

The Market Inspectorate of the Republic of Slovenia oversees compliance with tourism guide regulations in Slovenia.

During the peak tourist season, there are many groups with tourist guides from other countries. To ensure compliance with Slovenian legislation and facilitate effective oversight, all entities organizing trips to Slovenia with the use of tourist guides are kindly requested to ensure that the guides leading groups in Slovenia meet the legal requirements. Furthermore, these guides must display their identification badges visibly throughout their work. This will ensure compliance with the local laws and enable more efficient supervision, while also guaranteeing foreign guests a smooth and enjoyable travel experience in Slovenia.

For more information about providing tourist guiding services in Slovenia, please visit: https://spot.gov.si/en/activities-and-professions/permits-and-declarations/tourist-guidelicence-card/#exam-el2109.

Sincerely,



Mr. Tomaž Matjašec

Ambassador