



## PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

### 3.3 % ECONOMIC GROWTH

In the last quarter of 2015 gross domestic product (GDP) increased by 3.3% over the fourth quarter of 2014.

### 29 % LOWER UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG THE YOUNG

Unemployment for people under 25 fell from 20.5 per cent to 14.5 per cent in the third quarter of 2015. Some 4,000 young people found jobs. For comparison, youth unemployment in the euro area is 22.4 per cent, and 20.2 per cent for the EU as a whole.

### 70,971 UNEMPLOYED PERSONS FOUND WORK

In 2015, 70,971 persons signed off the unemployment register because they found employment. In 2014, 112,726 persons were registered as unemployed at the Employment Service of Slovenia, which is 6.1 per cent less than 2014.

### 4.8 % GROWTH IN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

In the first eleven months of 2015, production was 4.8% higher than in 2014. Added value in industry was also significantly higher, as it totalled 4.5 per cent in the first quarters of 2014, and 5.3 per cent in the same period of 2015.

### RESTORED INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPUTATION

Greater credibility on the international financial markets and better credit ratings have lowered borrowing costs. Lowering the re-offer spread vs. mid-swaps from 1.3 per cent to 0.7 per cent in 2015 has saved half a billion euros.

### LOWER GOVERNMENT DEFICIT

Compared to previous years, when the general government deficit fluctuated even up to 15% of GDP, a deficit of 2.2% is planned for 2016, and 1.7 per cent for 2017.

### BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE

On a list of countries based on the quality of life, Slovenia rose eight places to reach the enviable 17th place, which is below Japan and above France.