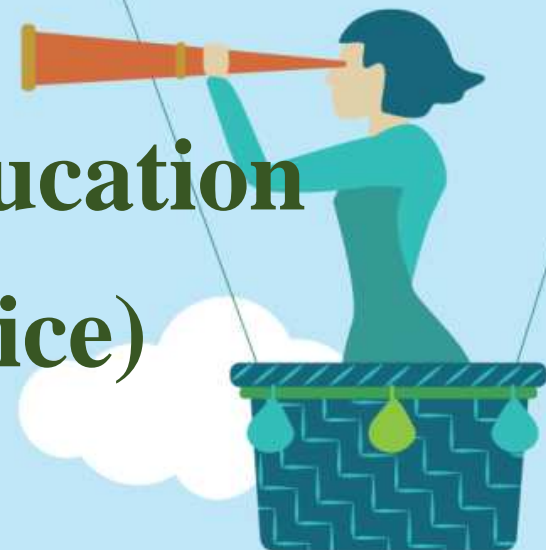


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# Forest pedagogy as a tool of forest education (the case of Slovenia Forest Service)

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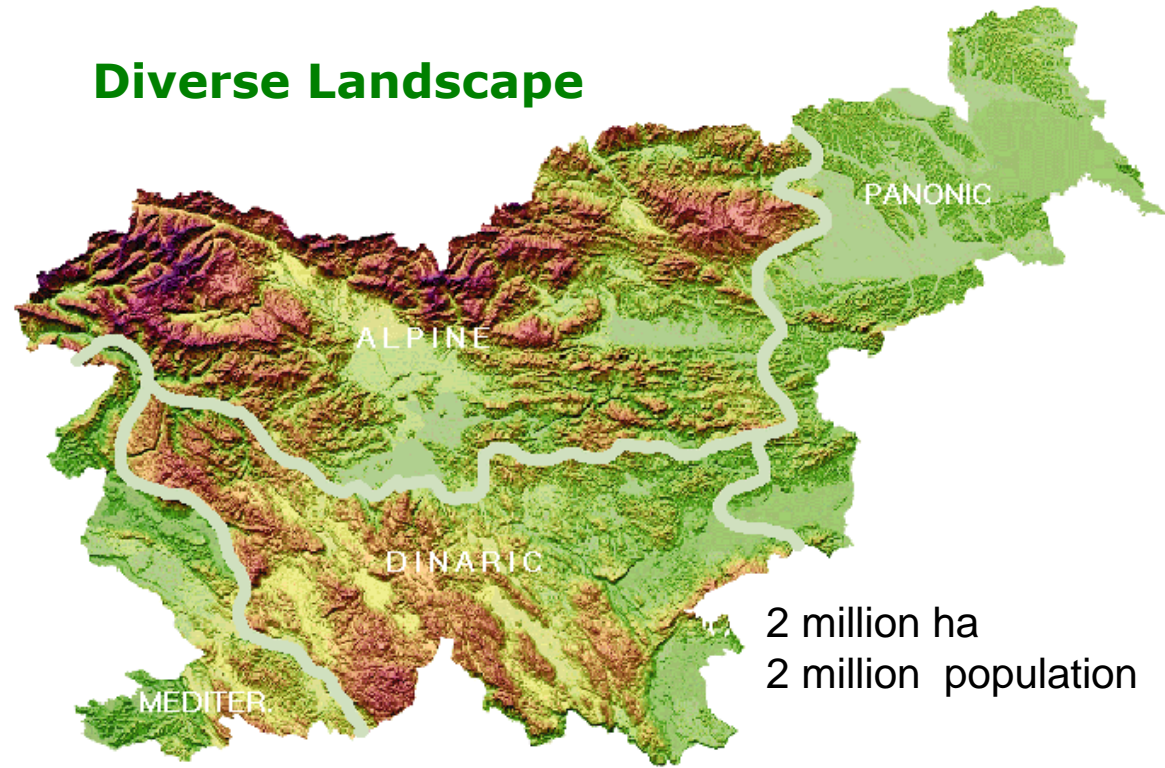




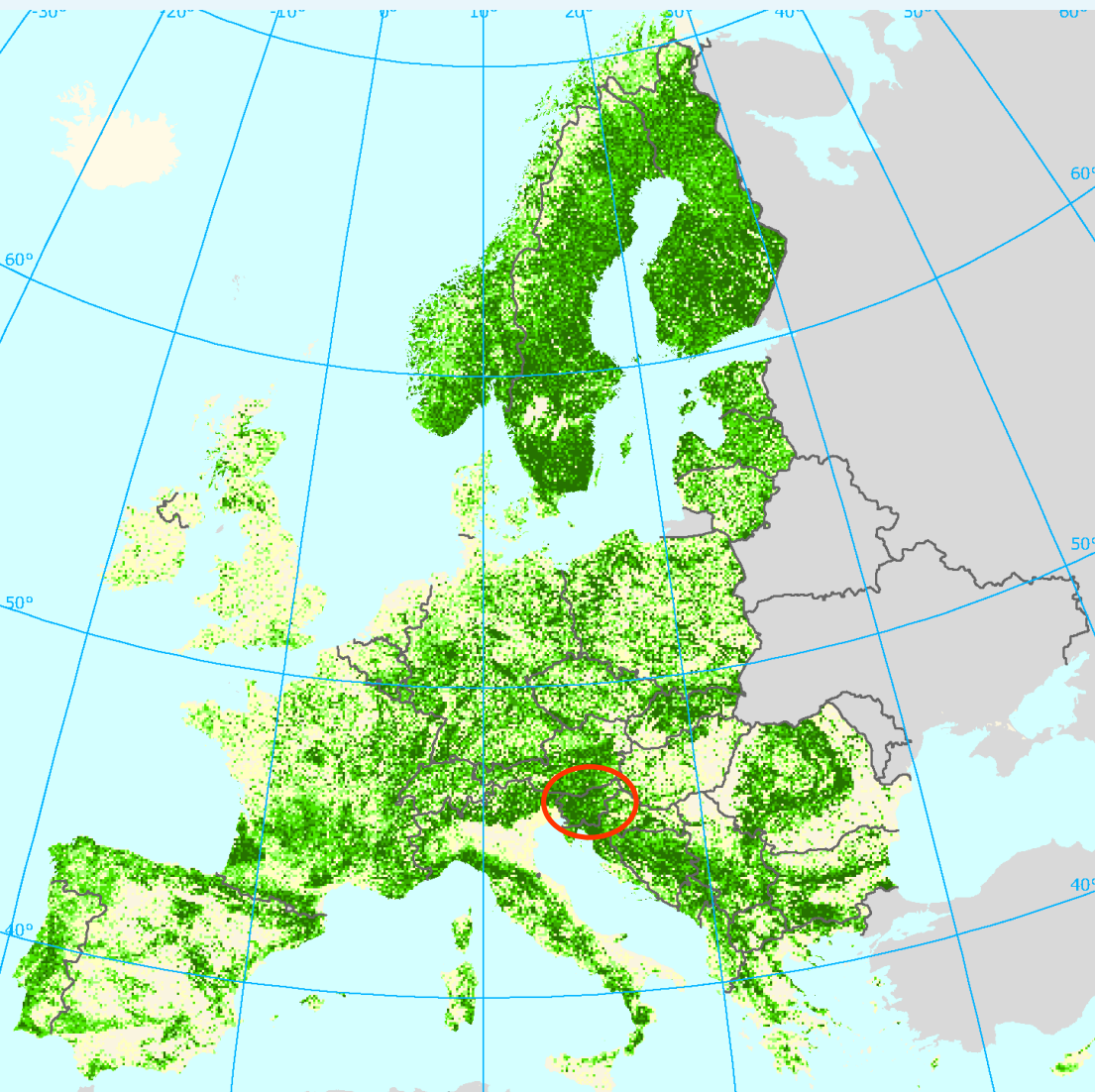
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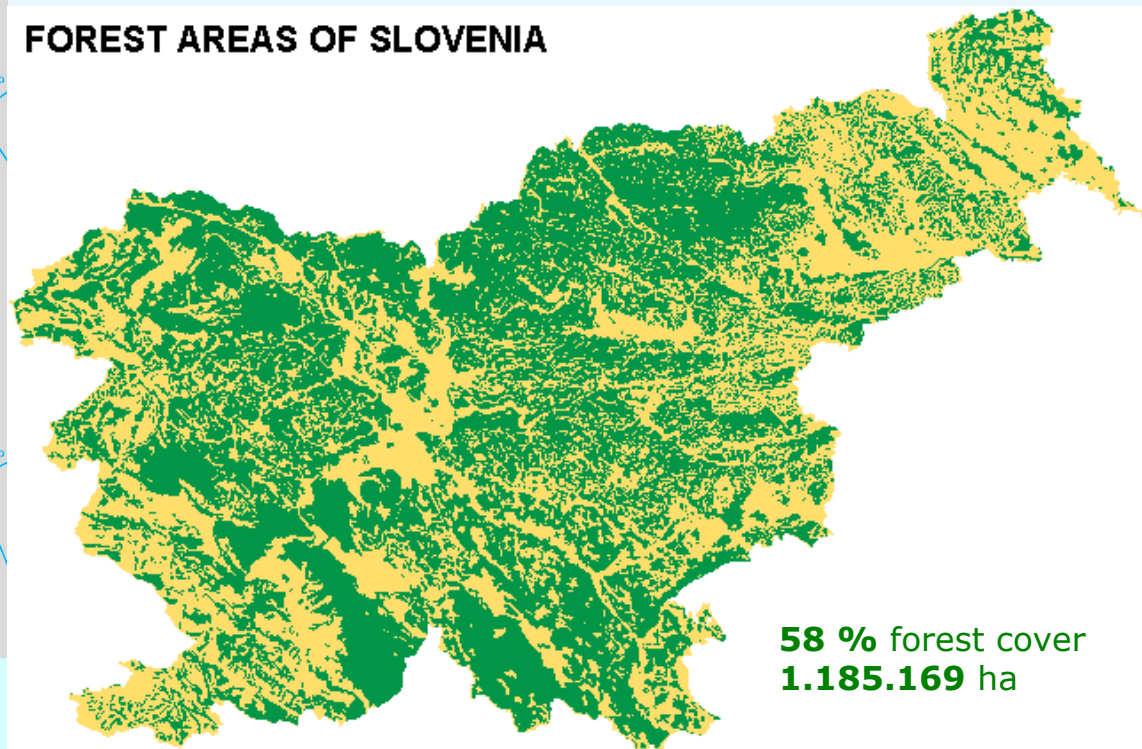
## Diverse Landscape



## Countries with highest share of forest in Europe



### FOREST AREAS OF SLOVENIA



**58 %** forest cover  
**1.185.169** ha

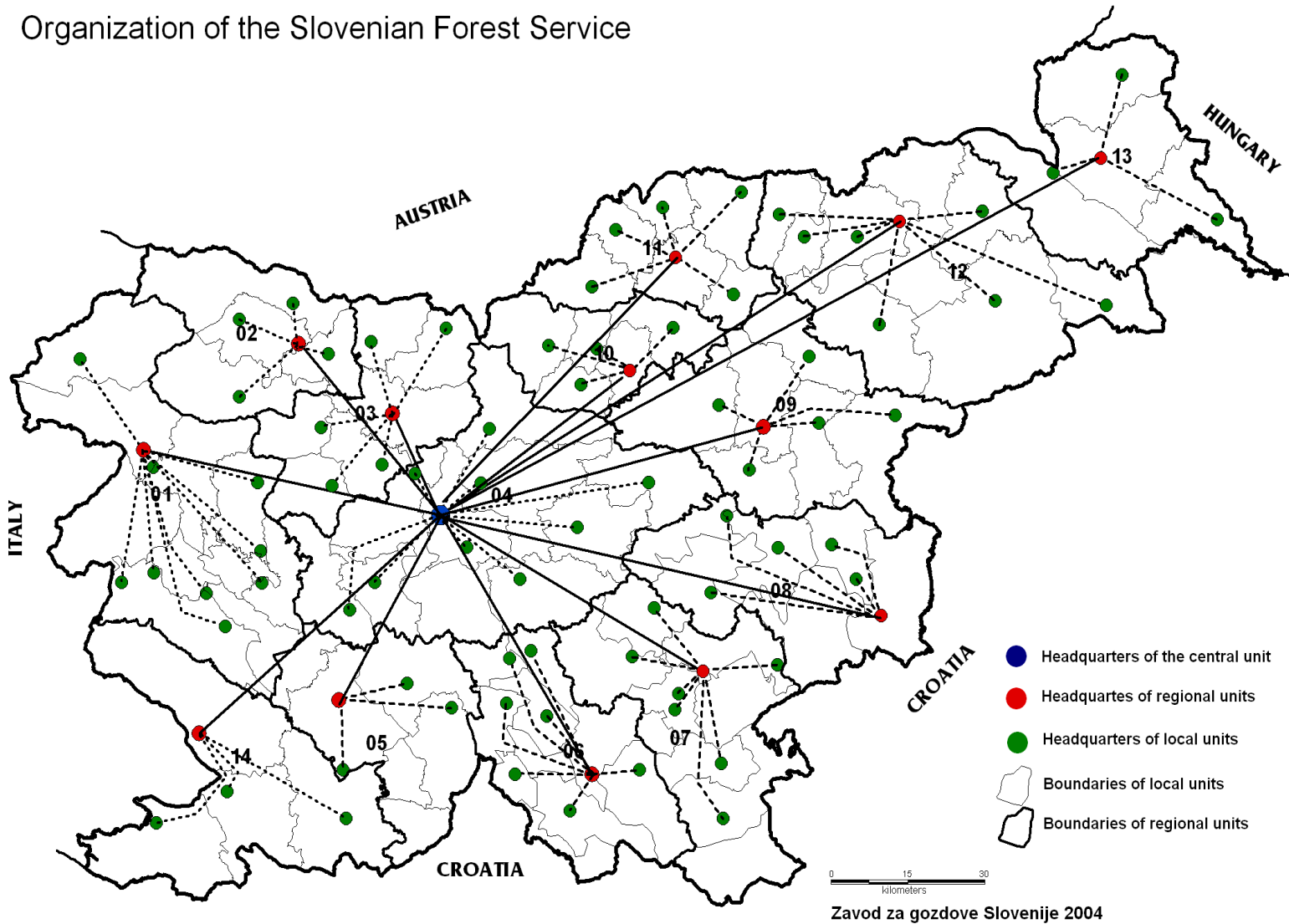


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Slovenia Forest Service

## Organization of the Slovenian Forest Service



**14**  
Regional units

**69**  
Local units

**396**  
Forest districts

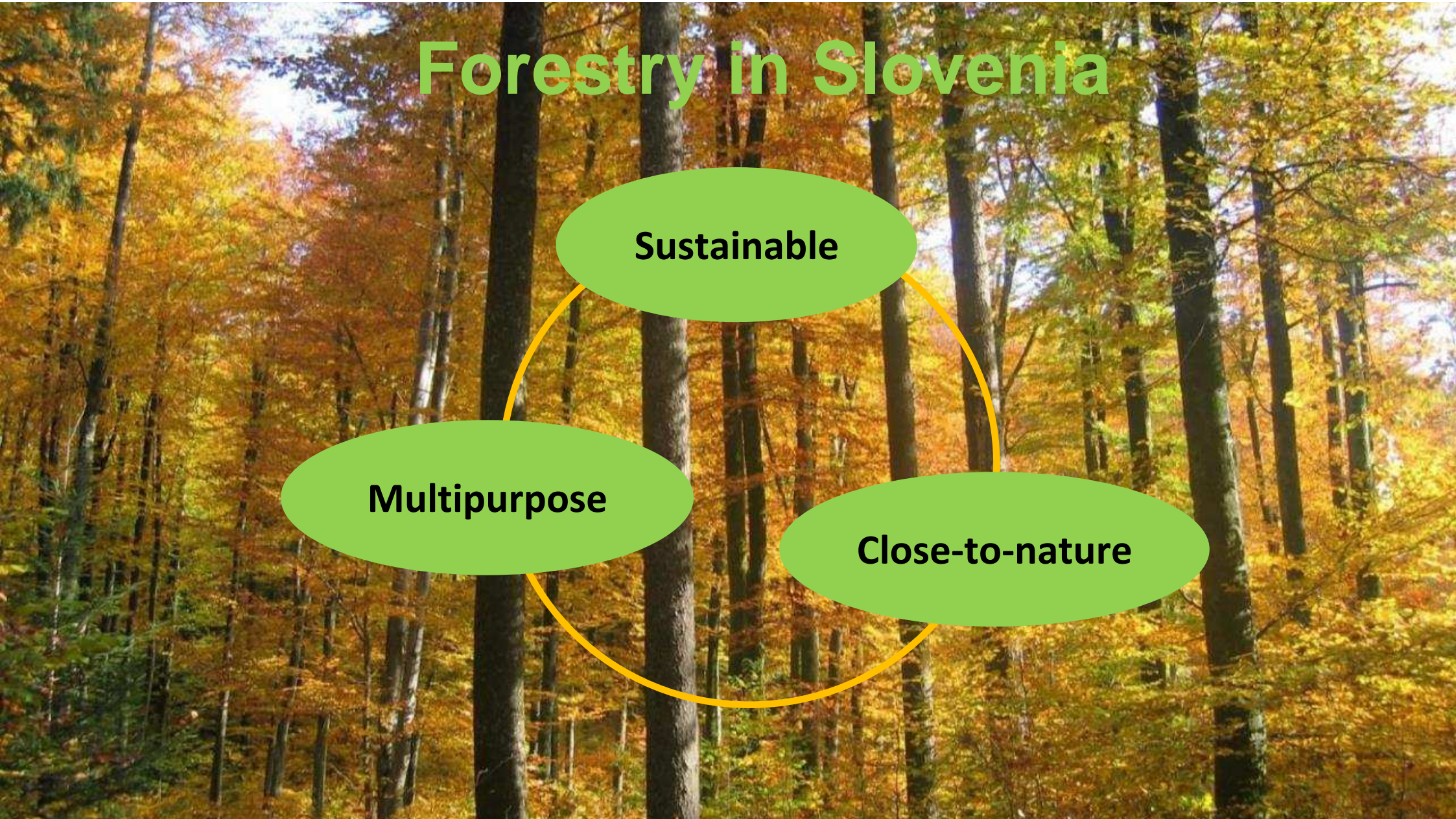
**~750** employees

# Forestry in Slovenia

**Sustainable**

**Multipurpose**

**Close-to-nature**





# The motto of Slovenia Forest Service is...

## ***Caring for forests to benefit nature and people***

*“Preservation and close-to-nature development of Slovenian forests and all of their forest functions for their sustainable and good management and use as well as nature conservation in forest space for the good of present and future generations.”*

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# Education about forests and forestry at SFS @zavodzagozdove

**2019**

- 673 activities for popularisation of forests and forestry
- reaching approx. 350.000 people

**Main  
events**

- International Day of Forests (cooperation with FAO)
- Earth Day
- the Slovenia Forest Week (the last week in May for over 50 years)

**Target  
group**

**Kindergarten and school children**

- **to inspire** a responsible and sustainable attitude to forests and forest ecosystems
- **to explain** the importance of and value of forests to society,
- **to learn** about forests in a natural environment – in forests



## funding

- Activities are planned annually and funded through the public forestry service (SFS)
- SFS Foresters with an affinity to forest pedagogy are trained and encouraged to conduct activities with schoolchildren (such as workshops, field trips, etc.).

2019

### Involving

- 15.000 children
- 414 activities in cooperation with local schools and kindergarten

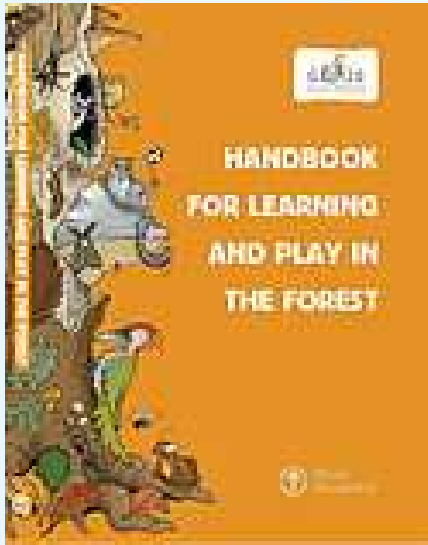


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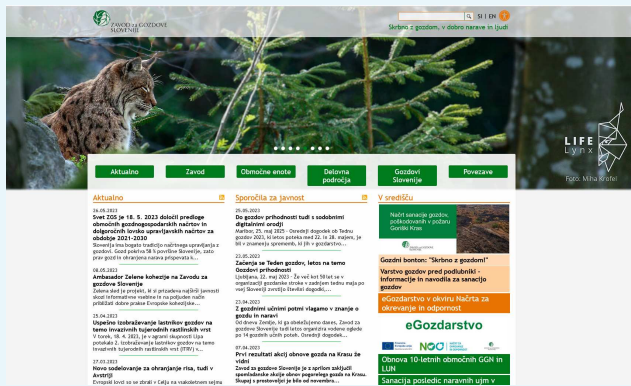
- to reach teachers and children through digital media (due to Covid-19)

# Handbook for Learning and Play in the Forest

<https://dirros.openscience.si/IzpisGradiva.php?id=6397&lang=eng>

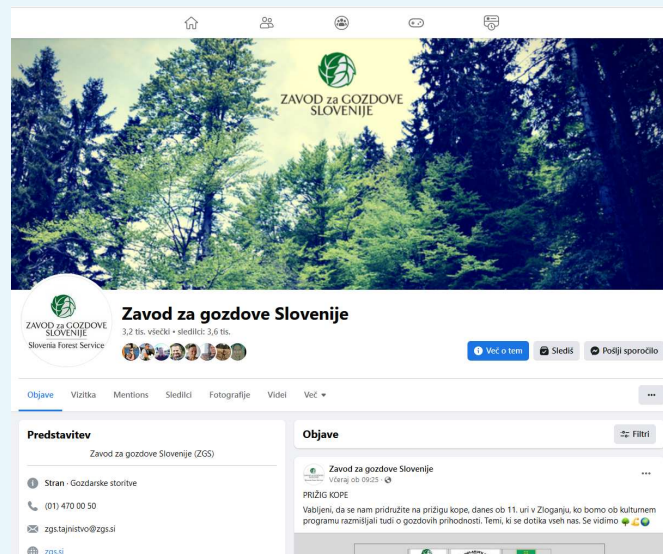


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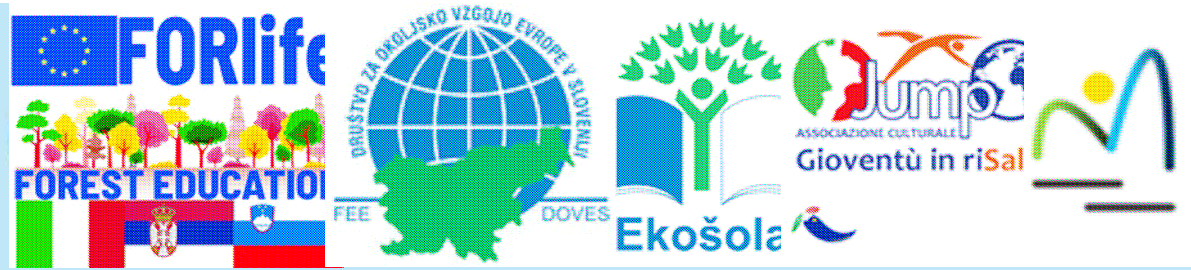
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Forests are essential for achieving many of the Sustainable Development Goals. With their rich ecosystem services, they provide livelihoods, food and energy, store carbon and host more than 80% of terrestrial biodiversity. Current and future generations need to learn about and understand forests and their benefits in order to ensure change and to increase dem...



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# Thank you

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