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CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Vice President, FCI Rescue Dog Commission
International Classifier for Rescue Mission Dogs
International Rescue Dog Judge
International Judge for Rescue, Guide, and Service Dogs

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

1. Slovenian (native speaker)
2. English (advanced)
3. Italian (basic)
4. Croatian (advanced)
5. Slovak (comprehension)

SAR - Mission Experience

1992 to Present - Dog handler or team leader, Slovenia and abroad, including more than 80 missing person searches
2009 - Team leader, Mission Sumatra (earthquake)
2008 to 2021 - Team leader of Rescue Dog Intervention Group for Slovenian government (M USAR)
2023 - Deputy team leader, Hungarian NGO Pest Megyei Kutató-MentQ Szolgálat mission to Turkey earthquake
2023 - Deputy team leader, Hungarian NGO Pest Megyei Kutató-MentQ Szolgálat mission to Libya Floods

SAR - Training and Teaching Experience

2003 to Present - International Rescue Dog trainer, Slovenian Kennel club and abroad
2012 - Trainer at IRO Module 3, Tritolwerk, Austria
2014 - Trainer at IRO Module 3, Switzerland
2016 - Deputy Director of Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Initiative (DPPI) – Basic training for rescue dogs for Southeastern Europe
2016 to 2019 - Preparation Abu Dhabi Police K9 USAR team for mission
2017 - Chief Trainer for rescue dogs St. Petersburg, rubble and area search, Russia
2017 - Lecturer at Medical Response to Major Incidents (MRMI), Slovenia
2019 - Preparation of Slovakian K9 USAR team for missions
2020 - Speaker, Teleconference on FCI/IRO rules, South America
2023 - Speaker, rescue dog seminar, Virginia, USA
2023 - Speaker China rescue dog seminar

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

2004 - Passed IRO Mission Exercise, Slovenia
2004 - Passed MRT rubble
2006 - Passed exam for IRO team leader, Frankfurt
2007 - Passed Community Mechanism Induction Course (European Civil Protection Training Program) in Rome, Italy
2008 - Participated in IRO USAR exercise, Munster, Germany

- 2008 - Participated in EU USAR Huromex exercise, Hungary and Romania
- 2010 - Passed Operational Management Course (European Civil Protection Training Program), Neuhausen, Germany
- 2011 - Passed Operational Management Refresher Course (European Civil Protection Training Revinge, Sweden
- 2012 - Passed International Coordination Course (European Civil Protection Training Program), Hamburg, Germany
- 2015 - Passed International Assessment Course (European Civil Protection Training Program), Cyprus and Bulgaria
- 2016, 2017, 2021 - IRO training for International Classifiers
- 2021 - Member of UN INSARAG certified team, Hungary

MEMBERSHIPS AND OFFICES HELD

- Slovenian Kennel club, 1985 to present
- Slovenian Kennel Rescue Dog Committee, Vice President 2010 - 2019
- Slovenian Rescue Dog Association, ERPS, 1995 to Present, founding member, President 2009 - 2019

CLASSIFIER EXPERIENCE

- Current - International Rescue Dog Classifier for IRO
- 2008 to 2023 - National MRT (mission readiness test), Slovenia
- 2009, 2012 to 2014 - International IRO MRT, Czech Republic
- 2010 to 2016 - Classifier at International Police Search Dog Championship (drugs, explosive)
- 2014 - International IRO MRT, Austria
- 2017 - Senior Chief Classifier at IRO MRT Area, Slovenia
- 2019 - Preparation Slovakian National USAR team
- 2020 - MRT Senior Classifier for first MRT rubble for Slovakian USAR Mountain Rescue Service

IPO-R (SPORT) - IRO World Championships:

- 2002 - Budapest, Hungary (10th place)
- 2004 - Witstock, Germany (8th place), Team (4th place)
- 2005 - La Grande Motte, France (4th place)
- 2007 - Eisenstadt, Austria (7th place)

IPO-R (SPORT) - Judging Experience

- 2014 to Present - International FCI rescue dog judge, judged more than 100 IPOR tests for IRO/FCI program
- 2014 - Austrian National Rescue Dog Championship
- 2000 - 2018 - International Rescue Dog Championship - Memorial Boža Talana, Slovenia
- 2021 - FCI Team World Championship Craiova, Romania
- 2022 - National Championship, ARSA (USA)

SERVICE DOGS

- Present – International service dog trainer, lecturer, judge
- 2010 – 2023 Trained and passed exams with more than 20 service dogs for the blind and disabled
- Present - Certificated national and international trainer for guide and service dogs, working for the National Health Insurance Institution
- Lecturer for service, guide and rescue dogs for the Slovenian Veterinary University in Ljubljana, Slovenia (behavior, training, transferring service dog to client)
- Cooperation with several guide dog schools over the world