

Notifications by Slovenia, required under Directive 2011/99/EU on the European protection order, i.e. information on competent authorities and languages accepted for translation (Articles 3, 4 and 17(3) of the Directive)

Under Article 3 of EPO Directive:

Competent authorities in Slovenia as defined in Article 184c of the Cooperation in Criminal Matters with Member States of the European Union Act (ZSKZDČEU-1):

(1) The district court with jurisdiction in the area where the protected person has permanent or temporary residence in the Republic of Slovenia shall have jurisdiction over issuing a European protection order and deciding on its recognition and over consulting with the competent authority of the issuing State or the executing State.

(2) If the court having jurisdiction cannot be determined according to the preceding paragraph, the District Court of Ljubljana shall have jurisdiction.

(3) If the court which receives a European protection order for recognition does not have jurisdiction, it shall immediately refer the case *ex officio* to a court having jurisdiction and notify the competent authority of the Issuing State which forwarded the European protection order for recognition and enforcement of this in writing, also informing the protected person thereof (also in writing).

Under Article 4 of EPO Directive:

Slovenia designated no central authority.

According to Article 6, paragraph 1 of ZSKZDČEU-1 **competent national and foreign authorities shall communicate directly.**

Furthermore, Article 6, paragraphs 3 and 5, of ZSKZDČEU-1 stipulate that in order to determine the competent authority, enquiries may be made with the assistance of Eurojust, European Judicial Network contact points, or the ministry responsible for justice.

If there are problems with sending or verifying the authenticity of documentation which cannot be solved directly, a warrant and other documents may also be sent with the assistance of the ministry responsible for justice.

Under Article 17(3) of EPO Directive:

Languages accepted in Slovenia are Slovenian and English.

According to Article 6, paragraph 6 of ZSKZDČEU-1 **the competent national authorities shall receive requests made by foreign competent authorities in Slovenian or English language, and communicate in languages that the other State finds acceptable, unless determined otherwise by this Act concerning certain matters.**