



**10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the  
European Stork Villages  
Velika Polana,  
7-10 August, 2013**

**INVITATION**

Dear Stork Friends, We are glad that we can invite you to our **European Stork Village VELIKA POLANA** this year.

The 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the European Stork Villages Network **will be held from 7<sup>th</sup> August 2013 to 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2013 in Velika Polana, Slovenia.**

**I. PROGRAM**

1. The meeting will be organized in the village of Velika Polana, which became a title of the European Stork village in the year 1999. The meeting will be held during the Stork festival – Pomurje summer festival in Velika Polana, which duration is from 4<sup>th</sup> of August till 11<sup>th</sup> of August and is hosting a lot of national and international groups, more information: [www.strk.si](http://www.strk.si).
2. Please prepare your Presentation - "Life in our Stork Village 2012-2013", for short reports and send it us till 26<sup>th</sup> of July, so we have enough time to prepare the conference maps.
3. Please think about the topic of the Future of the European Stork Villages Network and send us your proposals till 26<sup>th</sup> of July, so we can prepare the debate for the meeting. We think it is necessarily to upgrade our network and that we debate about future steps regarding the declarations (see the enclosures) that we have undersigned in the past years (1. declaration, Čigoč 2000, 2. Declaration, Spain 2005, 3. declaration, Germany 2006, 4. Declaration, Slovenia 2007).

**II. COSTS**

We have tried to become some funds of the European Citizenship Programme, which we have applied in February this year, but unfortunately, we didn't succeed.

So we decided to separate two groups of participants:

1. European Stork Village will host **free of charge (accommodation, meals, transfer from/to the airport, org. costs of the conference, excursions) three representatives of each European Stork Village.** At least two representative of each village member village should be present: political representative of the village and people of partner

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organization as the of protective areas linked to the village or local NGOs (stork club, bird organizations, tourism,...).

2. **Other representatives** from the Stork Villages or different experts, who are interested in cooperating with our Network, are also invited to join us. For such participants **we will cover all the costs during the meeting, only the accommodation costs**, which is 30 €/per person/per night, **should be covered by the participants themselves**. But we are still looking for sponsorship for those participants, so please send us your Registration form till the 8<sup>th</sup> of July, so that we can have enough time to arrange this too and to find the solution, which would be perfect for everyone.

As mentioned above, we will cover the costs of transfer from the nearby airports. In case you come by plane, there are four possible airports: Graz – Austria (80 km), Zagreb – Croatia (100 km) and Brnik (Ljubljana) – Slovenia (230 km).

### **III.CONFIRMATION**

**Please fill in the Registration form enclosed and send us your confirmation till Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2013.**

Send the enclosed Registration form to:

- by e-mail: [alenska.kejzar@ipsum.si](mailto:alenska.kejzar@ipsum.si) and [obcina@velika-polana.si](mailto:obcina@velika-polana.si)
- or fax, to Nr. **00386 2 577 67 52**

### **IV.INFORMATION**

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Welcome to Velika Polana – European Stork Village.

Yours faithfully,

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