

SESAR Innovation Days 2025

1 - 4 December 2025, Slovenia

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 1 December 2025

Participants will have the opportunity to discover some of Slovenia's most innovative contributions to aviation.

A group of 50 participants will visit Slovenia Control, where they will gain first-hand insights into the operations of Europe's smallest flight information region (FIR) and the unique challenges of managing it.

A larger group of 100 participants will visit Pipistrel, a pioneer in sustainable aviation, to see how Europe's first certified electric aircraft are manufactured and to learn more about the company's groundbreaking work.

Shuttle buses will be provided from Lake Bled and Slovenia Control to Pipistrel, with return transfers to Lake Bled at the end of the visits.

Places on the site visits will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

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SITE VISIT TO SLOVENIA CONTROL

 **Slovenia Control:** Zgornji Brnik 130n, 4210 Brnik – Aerodrom, Slovenia

09:30 - 10:00: Bus transfer from Bled to Slovenia Control

10:00 - 11:30: Guided tours of Slovenia Control

11:30 - 13:30: Bus Transfer to Pipistrel



SESAR INNOVATION DAYS 2025 WELCOME CEREMONY

 **Pipistrel Italy:** Via Fratelli Rusjan, 26, 34070 Savogna d'Isonzo GO, Italy

11:30 - 13:30: Transfer from Lake Bled to Pipistrel

13:30 - 14:30: Welcome coffee and light lunch

14:30 - 15:00: Speeches

15:00 - 16:30: Guided tours

16:30 - 17:30: Networking drinks

17:30 - 19:00: Return bus shuttle to Lake Bled



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Tuesday, 2 December 2025



BLED CONFERENCE CENTRE

Cesta svobode 11, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

08:00 - 09:00: REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

09:00 - 09:20: WELCOME REMARKS

- Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking
- Gabriel Massey, President and Managing Director, Pipistrel

09:20 - 09:40: OPENING KEYNOTES

- Alenka Bratušek, Slovenian Minister of Infrastructure
- Flor Díaz Pulido, Head of Unit, Single European Sky, Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE), European Commission

09:40 - 10:00: PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

- Peter Hotham, Advisor for ATM Science and Technology, SESAR Joint Undertaking
- Dirk Schaefer, SESAR Innovation Days Programme Chair

10:00 - 11:00: PLENARY SESSION 1 - Unlocking innovation through the new service delivery model

- Tomislav Radišić, Professor, University of Zagreb
- Elisabeth Landrichter, Managing Director, Austro Control
- Jorge Mínguez Cortés, Deputy Director, Indra
- Hólmfríður Elvarsdóttir, Research & Innovation Lead, Tern Systems

Moderated by Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking

11:00 - 11:30: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

11:30 - 13:15: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

13:15 - 14:00: LUNCH - Hotel Park Bled: Cesta svobode 15, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

14:00 - 14:30: COFFEE - Bled Conference Centre

14:30 - 16:15: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

16:15 - 16:30: COMFORT BREAK

16:30 - 17:00: FIRESIDE CHAT: FROM INNOVATION TO DEPLOYMENT – THE U-SPACE EXAMPLE

- Violeta Bulc, Former Commissioner for Transport and Former Deputy Prime Minister of Slovenia

Moderated by David Batchelor, Chief External Affairs & Communication, SESAR Joint Undertaking

17:00 - 18:00: SESAR YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD

- Presented by Violeta Bulc, Former Commissioner for Transport and Former Deputy Prime Minister of Slovenia and Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking

18:00 - 19:00: NETWORKING COCKTAIL

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Wednesday, 3 December 2025



BLD CONFERENCE CENTRE

Cesta svobode 11, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

09:00 - 09:35: WELCOME

- Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking
- Marko Hrastovec, Head of System Design and Development Division, Slovenia Control

09:35 - 10:35: PLENARY SESSION 2 - How to make human-machine teaming a reality?

- Marc Baumgartner, IFATCA
- Juan Besada, Professor, University of Madrid
- Renée Pelchen Medwed, Project Manager HF for AI , ATM/ANS Domain Safety Risk Manager, European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
- Peter Hendrickx, Head of ATM Development - Innovation Champion, Maastricht Upper Area Control Centre (MUAC), EUROCONTROL
- Hugues van der Stichel, Experimental Test Pilot & Architect , Airbus

Moderated by Olivia Nunez, Head of Technology and Master Planning, SESAR Joint Undertaking

10:35 - 10:45: FOSTERING KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER IN AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

- Micol Biscotto, Engage 2 Knowledge Network project coordinator

10:45 - 11:15: ARTISTIC INTERLUDE

11:15 - 11:45: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

12:00 - 13:00: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

13:00 - 14:15: LUNCH - Hotel Park Bled: Cesta svobode 15, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

14:15 - 15:45: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

15:45 - 16:15: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

16:15 - 17:15: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

19:00 - 22:00: NETWORKING EVENT - Ljubljana Castle: Grajska planota 1, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia*

Buses depart from Lake Bled at 17:45

* Please note that a participant contribution of €35 (plus VAT) is required to secure your place at the networking event.

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Thursday, 4 December 2025



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09:00 - 10:30: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

10:30 - 11:00: COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

11:00 - 12:30: TECHNICAL PAPER SESSIONS

12:30 - 13:30: LUNCH - Hotel Park Bled: Cesta svobode 15, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

13:30 - 14:00: COFFEE - Bled Conference Centre

14:00 - 14:15: KEYNOTE: From lecture hall to lift-off: how academia fuels aviation

- Peter Vidmar, Dean, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transport, University of Ljubljana

14:15 - 14:40: KEYNOTE: Pipistrel

- Tine Tomažič, Director of Engineering and Innovation, Pipistrel

14:40 - 15:40: PLENARY SESSION 3: Future-proofing aviation from GNSS to virtual operations

- Andreas Lipp, GNSS Expert, EUROCONTROL
- Tine Tomažič, Director of Engineering and Innovation, Pipistrel
- Jarosław Piełunowicz, Deputy CTO for Development, PANSA
- Karin Bernsmed, Senior Research Scientist, SINTEF Digital and leader of SESAR JU SEC-Airspace Project

Moderated by Chrystelle Damar, External Relations Officer, SESAR Joint Undertaking

15:40 - 16:00: CLOSING REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SIDS 2026 DESTINATION

- Andreas Boschen, Executive Director, SESAR Joint Undertaking