

SLOVENIAN RESEARCH AGENCY

Research Management in Slovenia the support of knowledge transfer

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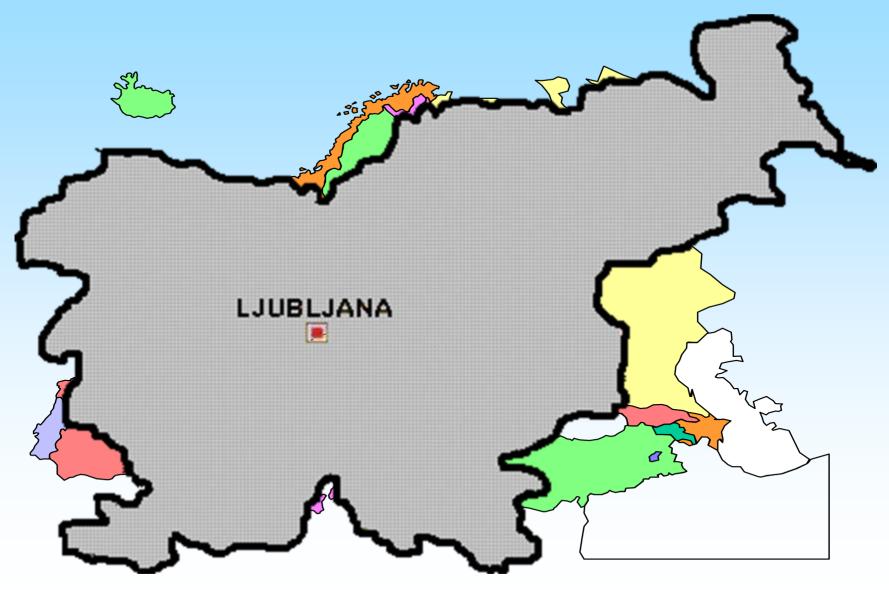
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Some facts about Slovenia



SLOVENIA - in the Heart of EUrope



Basic data: Constitution: Parliamentary democracy

Capital: Ljubljana (popul. 300 000)

Area: 20 273 km2

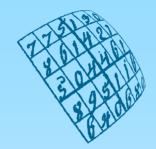
Population: 2 million

Population density: 99.0/km2

GDP: 29,7 mrd EUR

GDP per capita: 14.800 EUR (2006)

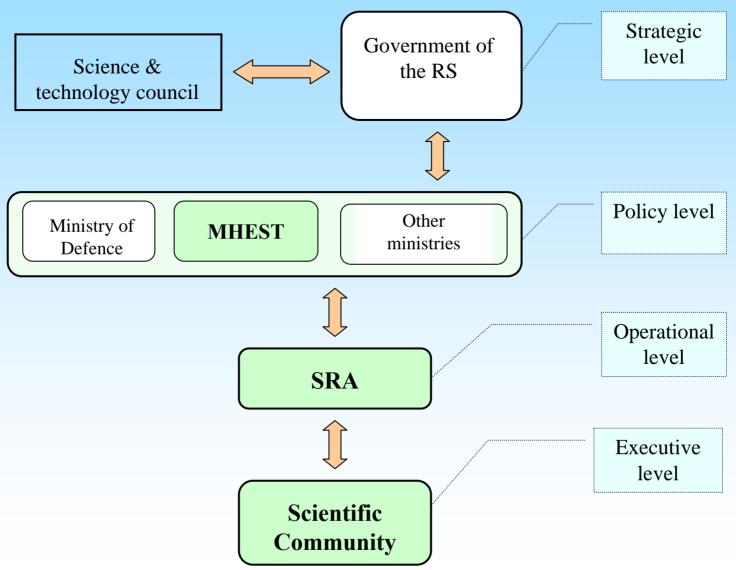
Annual real growth rates of GDP: 5,2 (2006)



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- Establishing: November <u>2004</u>, Government of the Republic of Slovenia
- **Status**: a legal person of public law; indirect user of the budget of the Republic of Slovenia
- **Mission**: performing professional tasks relating to <u>implementation</u> of the adopted *National Research and Development Programme*
- **Budget**: <u>145 million €</u>per year (2006)

Institutional design and position of the SRA



Main Slovenian R&D policy **objectives**

- to increase investments in R&D according to the 3% GDP
- to increase effectiveness of public investments in R&D
- to strengthen human resources in R&D
- to strengther R&D co-operation between public research sector and enterprises
- to strengthen business sector R&D
- to increase international co-operation

Broad priority areas of Slovenian R&D

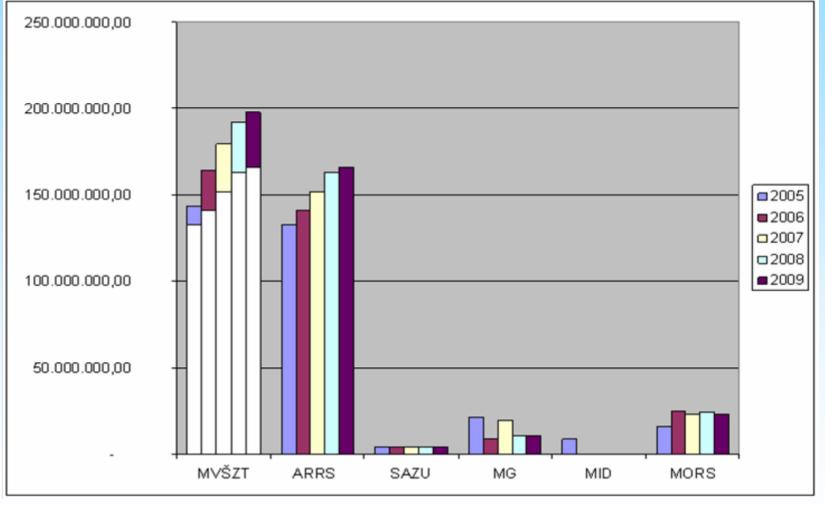
- Information and Communication
 Technologies
- Advanced New Materials and Nanotechnologies
- Complex Systems and Innovative
 Technologies
- Technologies for Sustainable Development
- Health and Life Sciences



Priorities related to social and cultural development

- support to national identity, modern
 Slovenian history, natural and cultural heritage
- development of efficient state and modern democratic society
- management of social processes and risks caused by new technologies, globalization, changing the demographic structure

Slovenian budget for S&T, 2005-2009 (public sources)



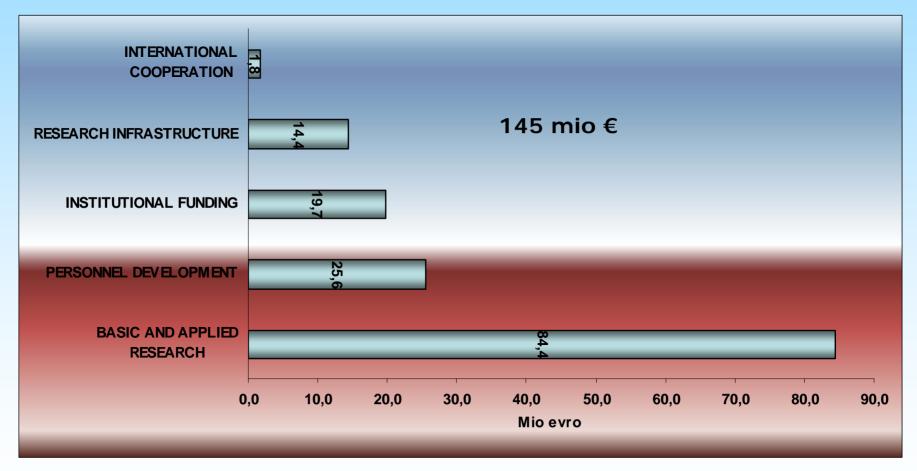
SRA main areas of operation



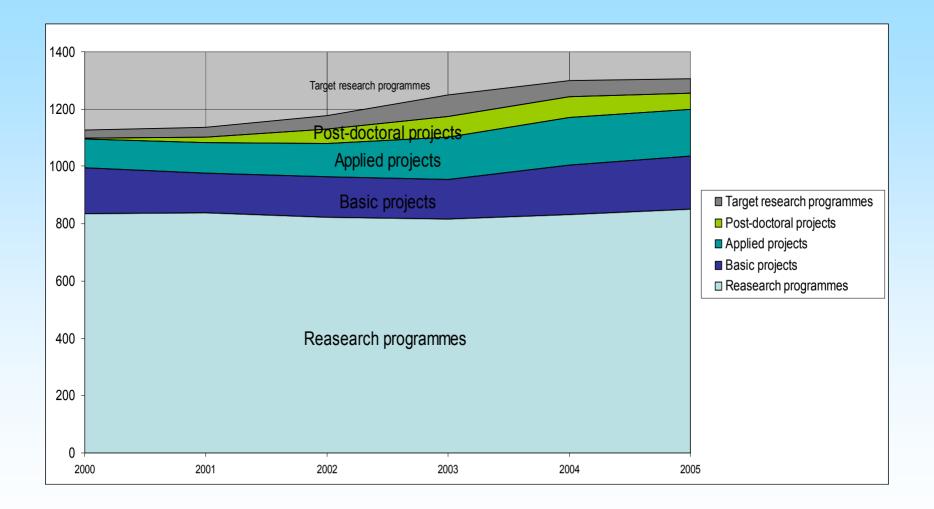
Openness of the SRA supporting system

- Opening the national programmes: integration of foreign citizens into the programme of young researchers, postdoctoral research and excellent foreign scientists
- Funding of postdoctoral research for researchers who will switch over from public to business sector

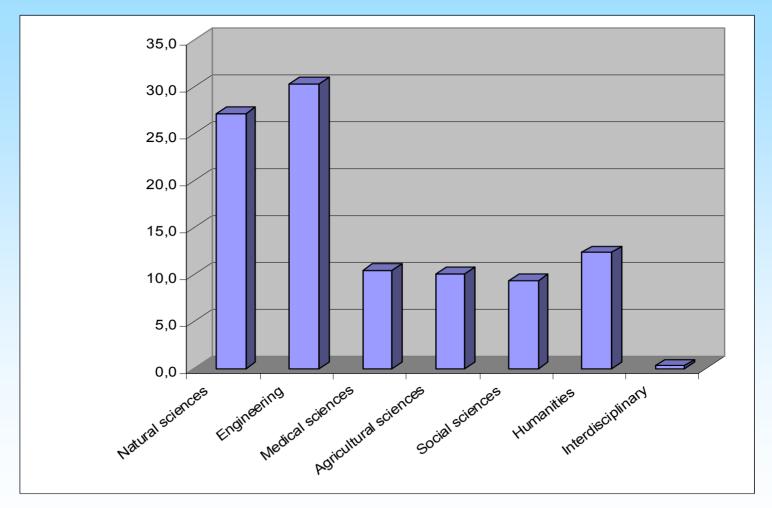
SRA **budget** – by research activities, 2006



1.300 FTE by research type



Funding (SRA) of research by **fields** of science



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"Knowledge is becoming the main source of wealth for nations, companies and people, but it can also become the main factor of inequality" (Rodrigues, 2003)



Types of research impact

SPRU taxonomy of 'exploitation channels'

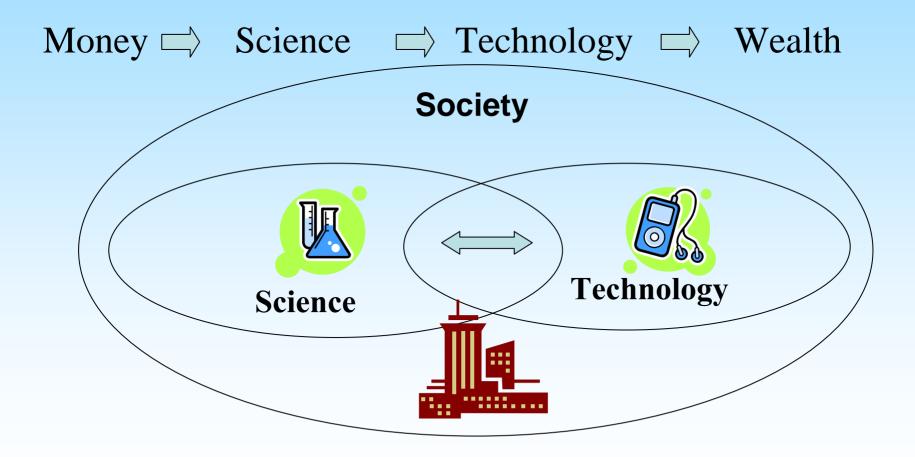
- 1. Increasing the stock of useful knowledge
- 2. Training skilled graduates
- 3. Creating new scientific instrumentation & methodologies
- 4. Forming networks and stimulating social interaction
- 5. Increasing the capacity for technological problem-solving
- 6. Creating new firms
- 7. Provision of social knowledge

Extensive literature shows

- substantial benefits for each of these channels
- some more readily measurable than others

(Martin et al., 1996; Salter et al., 2000; Salter & Martin, 2001; Scott et al., 2002; Martin & Tang, 2006)

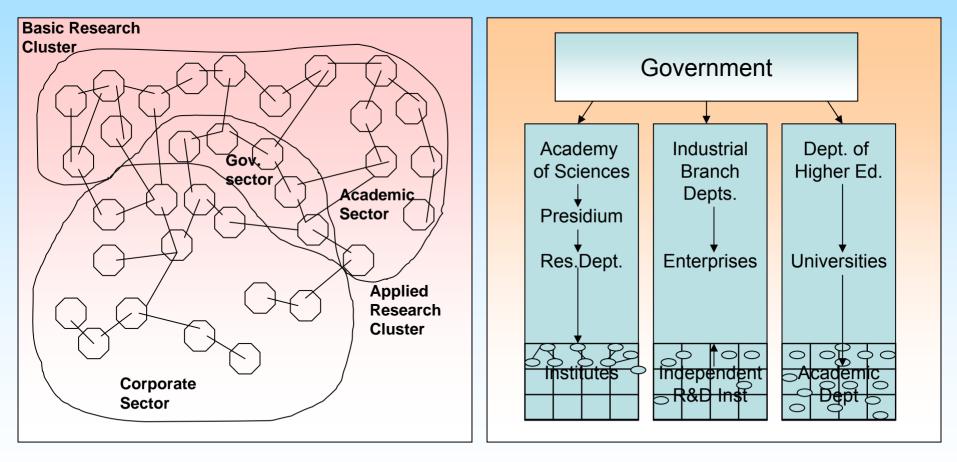
Interplay between science, technology and society



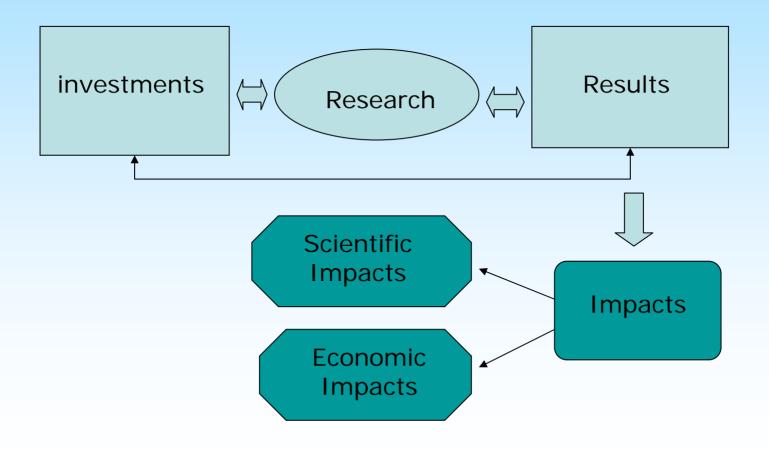
Comparison of two different research management approaches

• Western System (network)

• Soviet System (centralised)



Model of impacts and results of research



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Relevance of the **research** projects

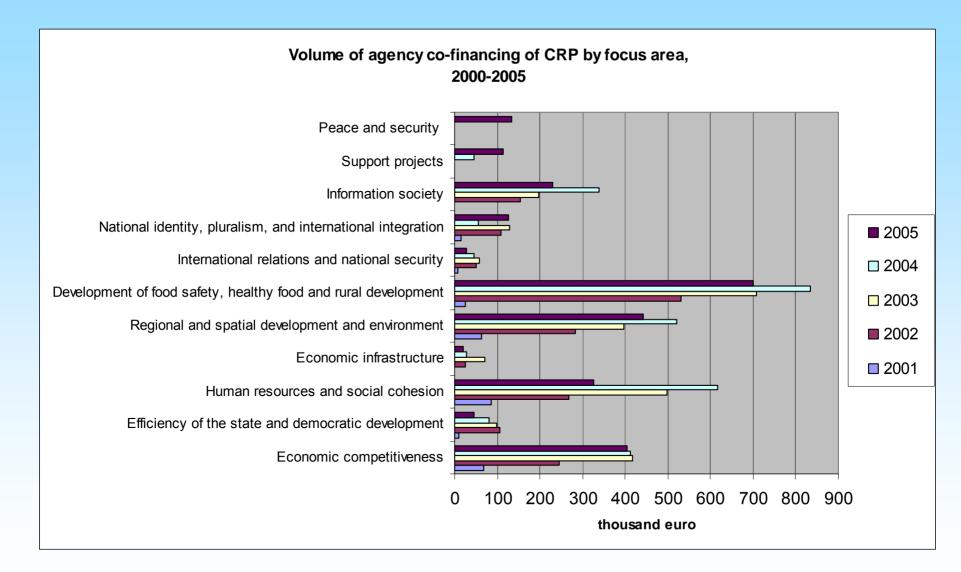
- Targeted research programmes (TRP)
 - Slovenian competitiveness 2006-2013
 - Knowledge for peace and security 2004-2010
- Programme for young researchers (YR in private sector)
- Tematic public calls for basic, applied and postdoctoral projects

Socio-economic relevance is an important criterion of **evaluation**

TRP Public call: "Knowledge for peace and security 2004-2010"

Research chapters:

- Slovenian Army of the 21st century
- Development of the communication and information system according to the needs of national security
- Defence against terrorism, civil protection and environmental protection
- Development and management of the national security system



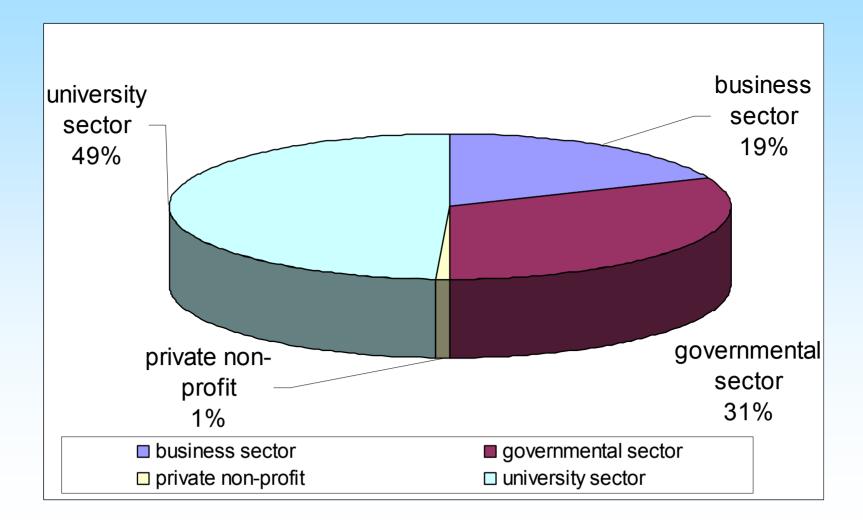
Target research programme: "Knowledge for security and peace"

- 98 % of budget comes from the Ministry of Defence
- 2 % Ministry of higher education science and technology
- Main topics:
 - Relating to security
 - Natural catastrophes
 - Other topics related to security and peace (socio economic, legal...)

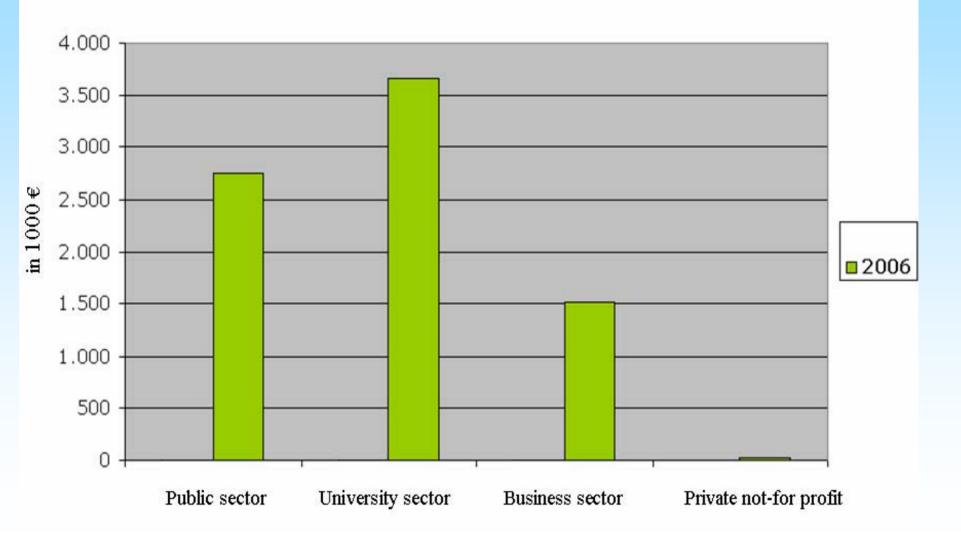
Budget for a period 2006-2010

- Ministry of defence: 33.175.000 €
- SRA: 625.940 €

Structure of participating research institutions



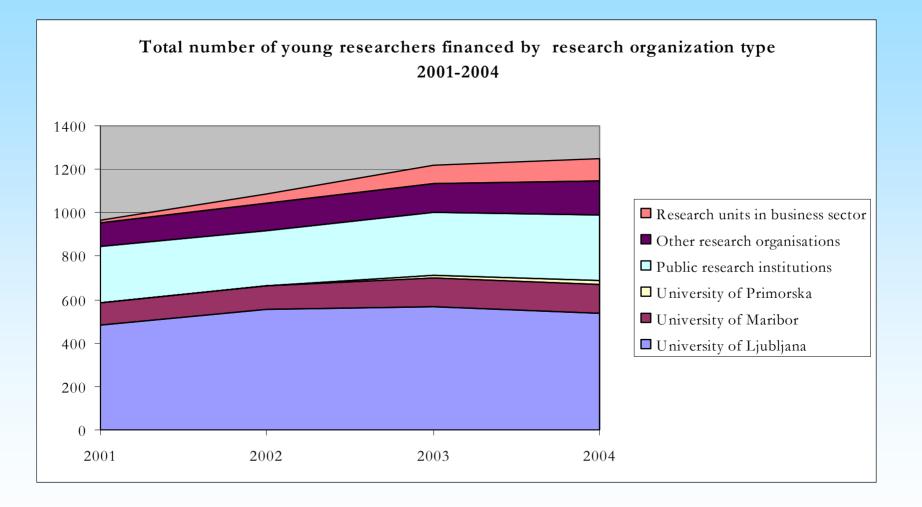
Receivers of CPR money according to sector

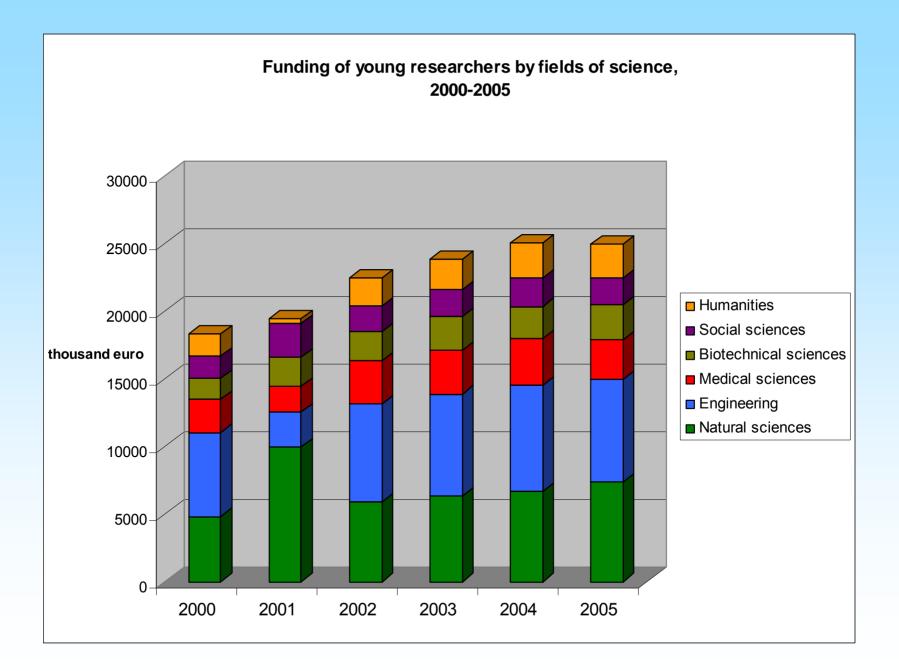


Programme of Young researchers (YR)

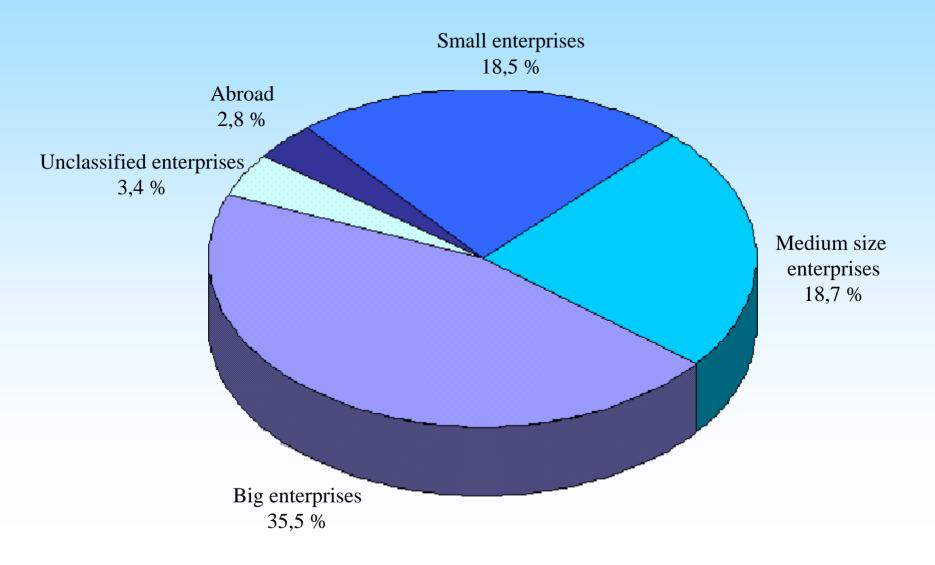
- **1.200** young researchers (850-900 FTE) financed per year
- 250 new candidates for young researchers accepted per year
- 25 mio EUR per year
- 19% of the budget of SRA

YR by research organizations

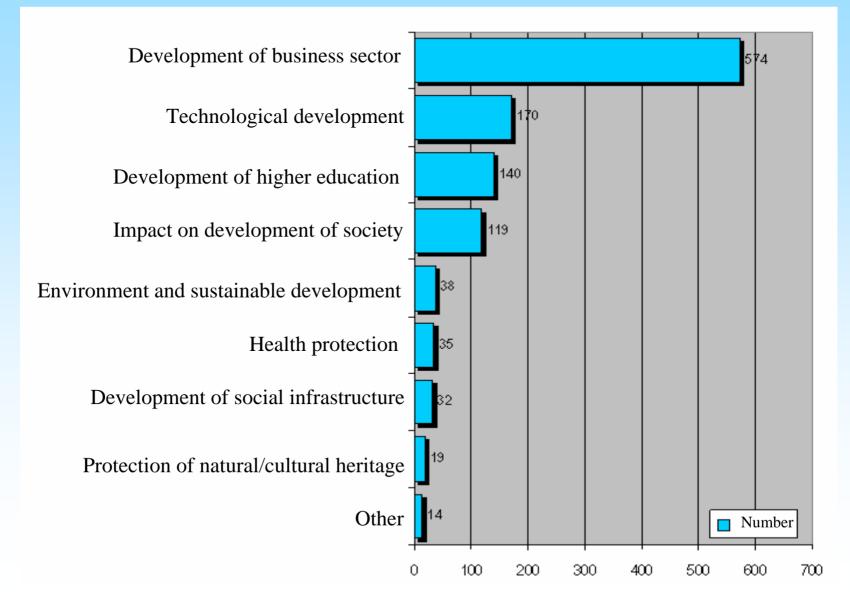




Applied-industrial projects by the type of co-financing institutions



Type of influences of finished applied projects 2004-2006



Transparency as a tool supporting R&D activities

- Control over the use and distribution of research money and indirect control of public over the work of researchers
- Public availability of research results (for researchers and general public)
- Dissemination of research results in short and understandable form

Elements of transparency

- 1. Transparency of instruments
- 2. Transparency of Procedures
- 3. Financial Transparency
- 4. Transparency of results of the research

1. Transparency of instruments

- Annual plan of public calls
- Timetable of evaluation process
- Guidelines prepared by the Ministry of higher education science and technology;
- Published names peers and members of decision-making bodies
 - Inclusion of "users" representatives of business

- 2. Transparency of procedures
 - Evaluation methodology unique for each field of science
 - Transparent membership in expert bodies (published on SRA home page)
 - Procedure of peers selection is known in advance
 - Evaluation criteria (questions for peers) are prepared, adopted and published in advance
 - Publicly available results of selection process

3. Financial Transparency

- Annual financial reports (White book on financing)
- Up-to date overview of distribution of budget (online white book)



4. Transparency of research results

- Use of COBISS bibliographic system
- Use of SICRIS system and its abstracts of research work
 - The most important scientific results
 - Socio-economic significance of research
- Use of international citation indexes (ISI, CSA and other bibliographic databases

COBISS bibliographic system – articles and patents

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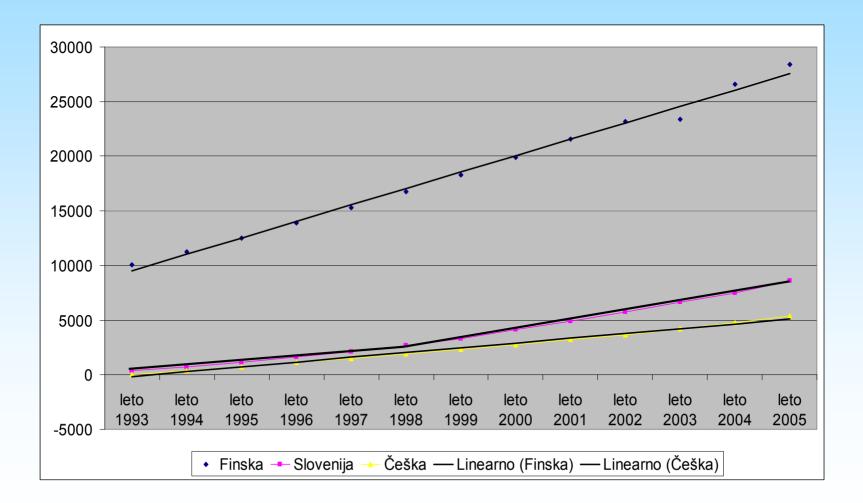
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Publications in journals (index) per million inhabitants – result of transparency?



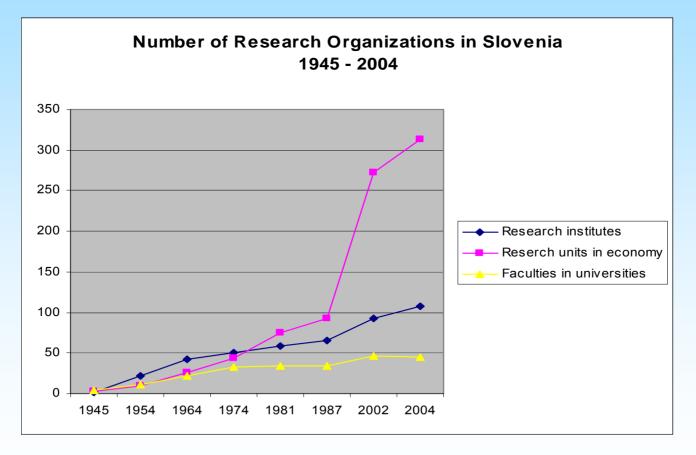
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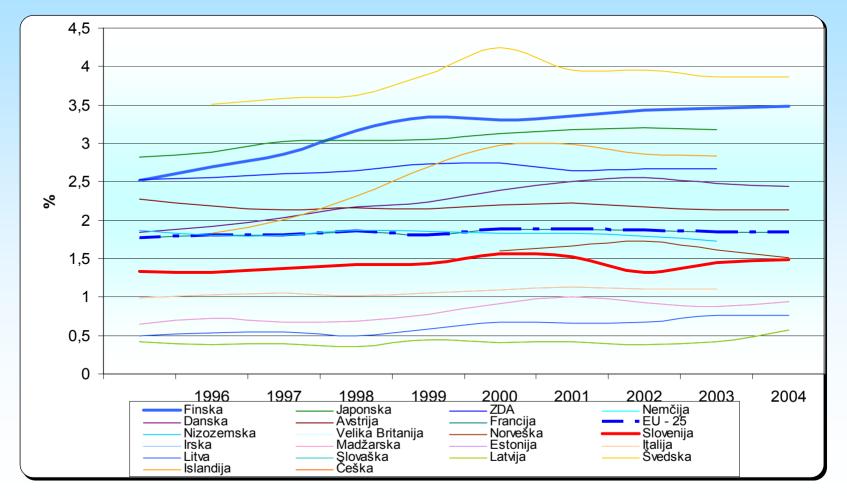
Institutional research **landscape**

- 4 Universities:
 - University of Ljubljana (26 faculties)
 - University of Maribor (12 faculties)
 - University of Primorska (7 faculties)
 - University of Nova Gorica (6 faculties)
- National Research Institutes (15)
- Private (non-profit) Research Institutes (ca. 100)
- Research unites in business (ca. 300)

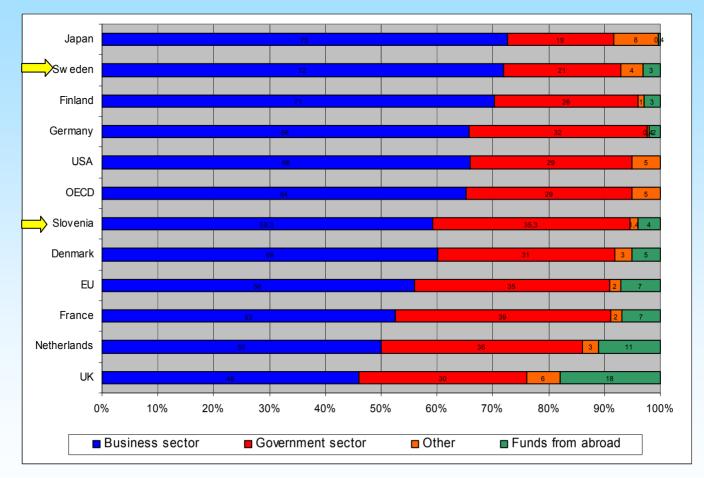
Evolution of research organizations in Slovenia



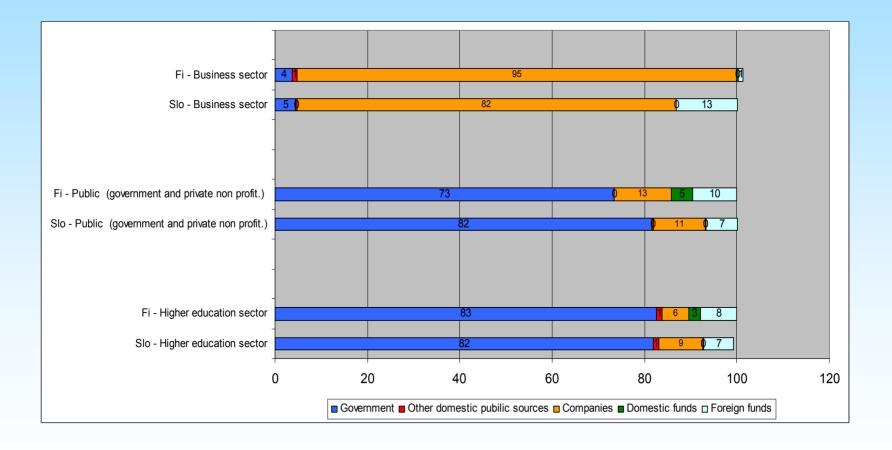
R&D expenditure as a proportion of GDP (%) in Slovenia and in selected OECD countries 1990 – 2005



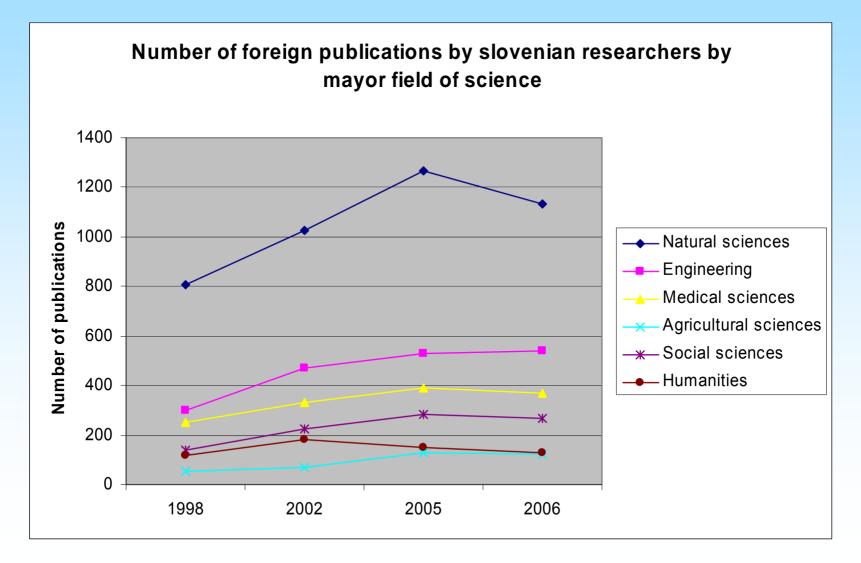
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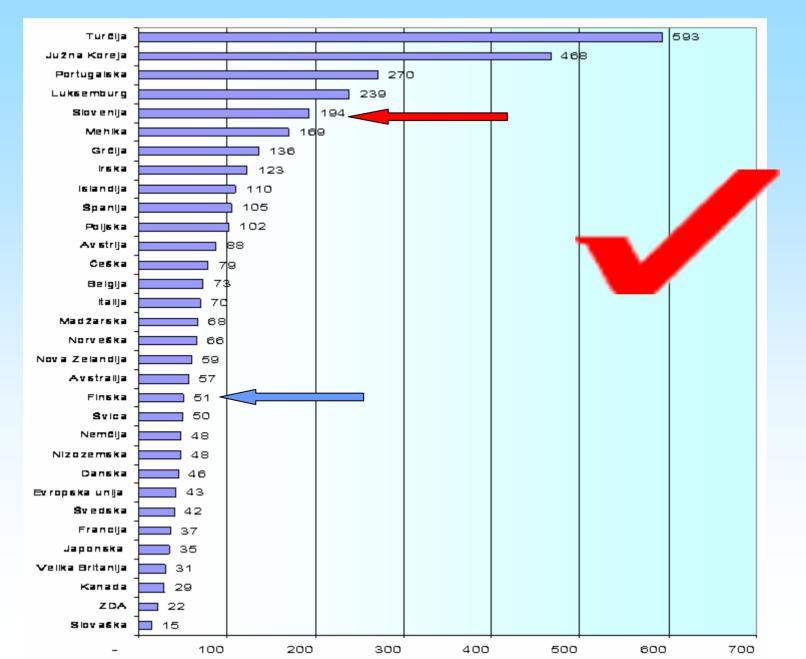
Funding from different sources as a % share of R&D expenditure in Slovenia and Finland by sector of performance, 2004



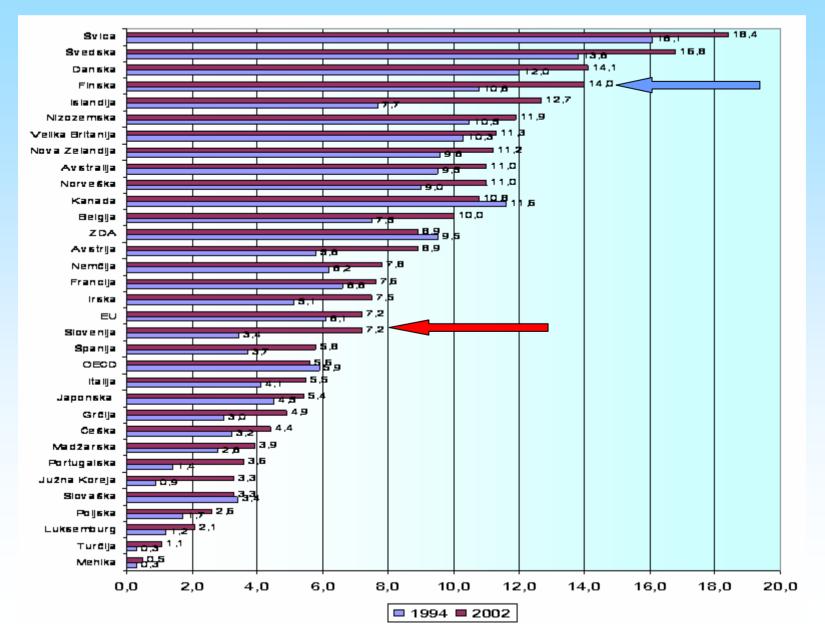
International publications of Slovenian researchers



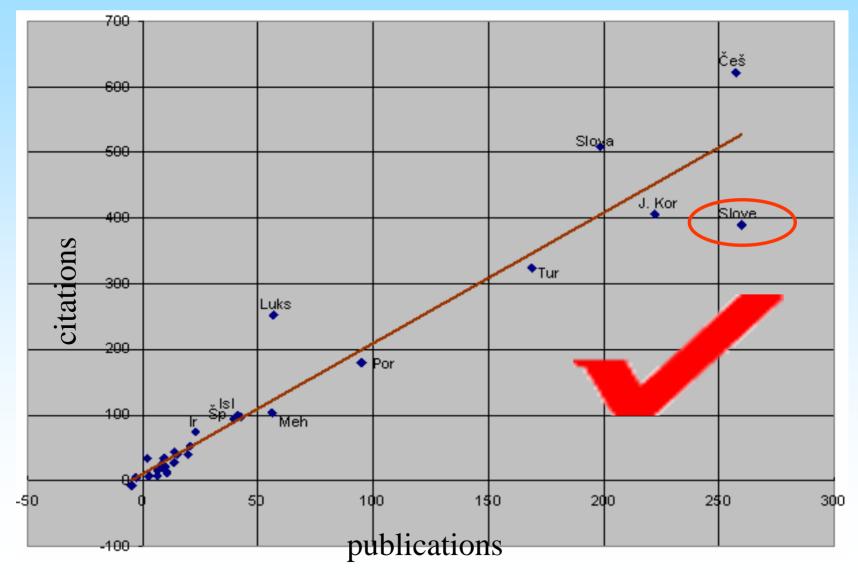
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Scientific publications in Slovenia and selected OECD countries in 1994 and 2002



Intensity of changes of publications and citations

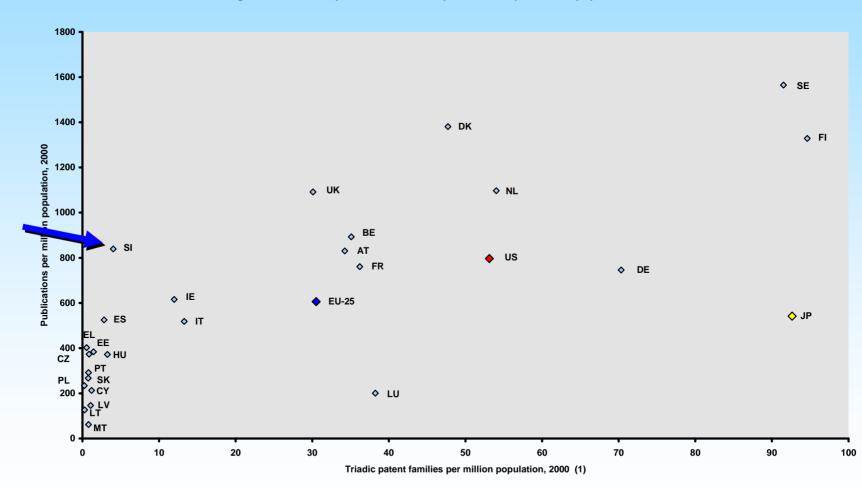


Efficiency of research programmes

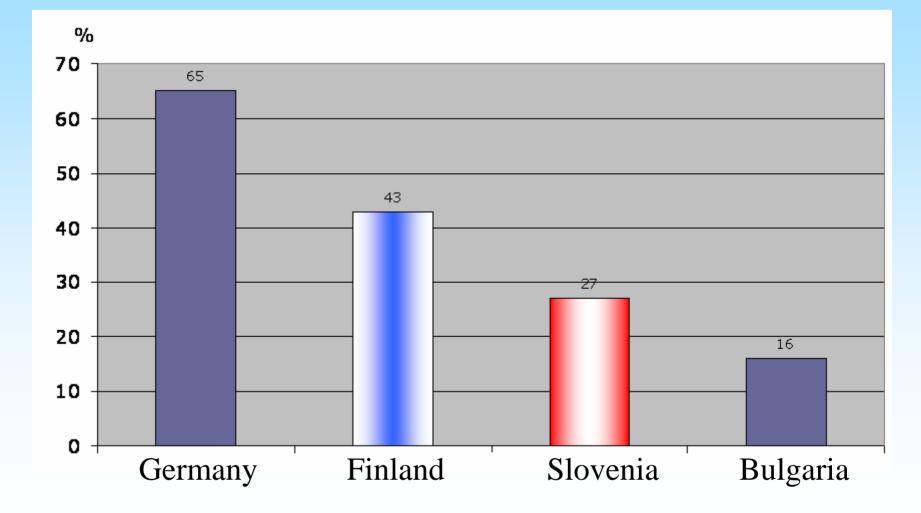
Year	Public funding	Private funding	Total funding	% of private funding
2005	50.039.481	11.081.221	61.120.702	18,13
2006	51.794.634	12.851.110	64.645.744	19,87

Triadic **patent** families and **publications** per mio population

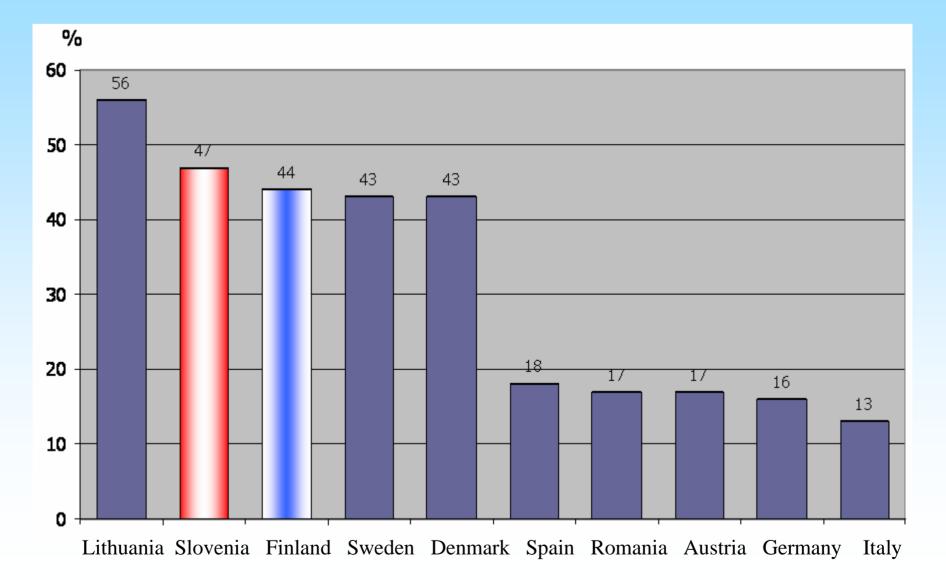
Figure 3.2.5 Triadic patent families and publications per million population, 2000



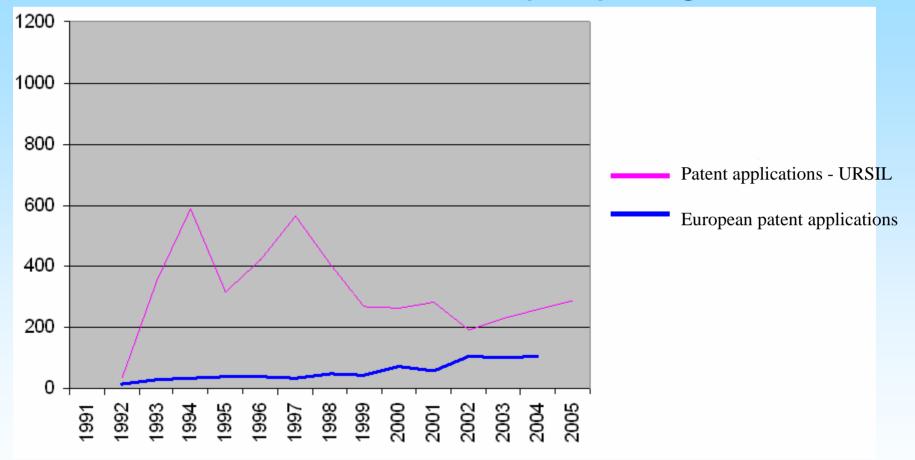
Share of innovation active enterprises

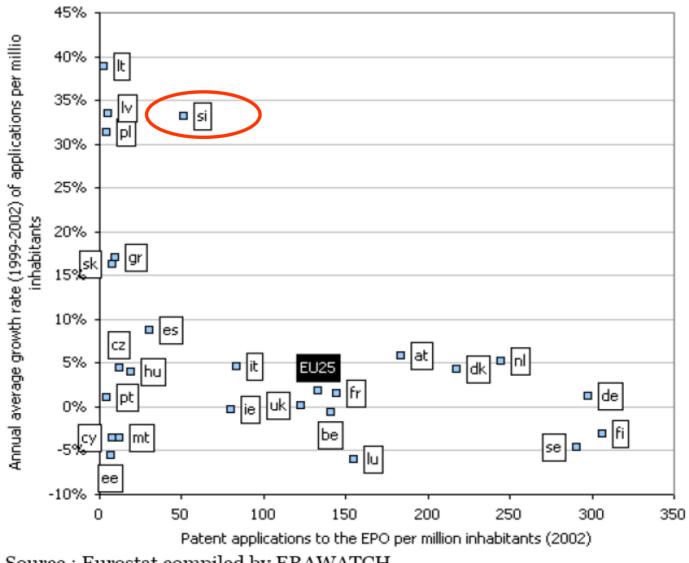


Share of innovative enterprises which collaborated with other enterprises



Number of patent applications on Slovenian Intellectual property office

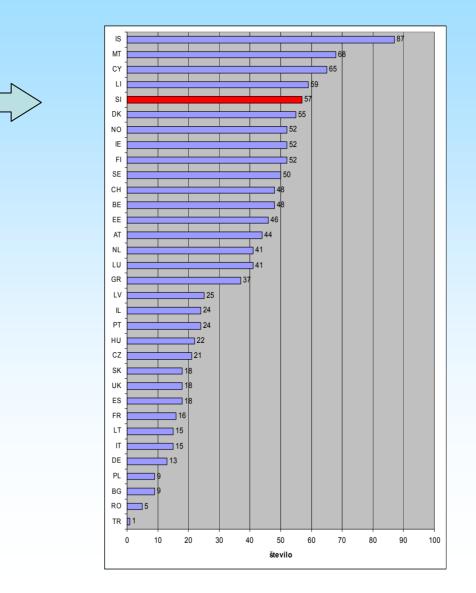




Source : Eurostat compiled by ERAWATCH

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Number of projects in **6**. **FP** per million people



SI in FP6 contracts Overall figures17.7.2006

EU27 population	490 mio.	
SI population	2 mio.	0,41%
Total no. of contracts	6.654	100%
No. of SI contracts	360	5,4%
All participants	51.304	100%
No. of SI participants	429	0,84%
Total EU funding	12.122	100%
For SI participants	56.5	0,47%

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