

# Smart Islands and Regions Labs (SILA) partnership development conference

Sep. 30 - Oct. 2 2019, Mljet Island, Croatia



Where science and innovation meet stakeholders and community to build partnerships and projects for International Smart Island Lab for social and technological innovation



## What this conference is about ?

The SILA conference will discuss policies and legislations that can help to attract human capital and foreign investments to Croatia, stimulate economic growth and development of smart islands and regions programs, contribute to sustainable tourism and to develop prosperous modern knowledge based society able to face globalisation challenges and to preserve its national traditions and religious values addressing at the same time key societal priorities and wellbeing needs of local population.

The conference will provide discussion platform for companies, public authorities, universities, NGOs, investors and ordinary people on policies, legislations and concrete projects that they expect to be implemented in the future to improve businesses, economics, wellbeing, tourism and other sectors by digitalisation and smart technologies.

It will discuss the implementation **Smart Island Lab for Socio-Technological Innovation and Digitalization (SILI)** for comprehensive & sustainable living and tourism as concrete practical step that will follow the conference. The conference will be an international meeting place to discuss new projects and partnerships for future research programmes and other topics below. This international conference organized by EAI (European Alliance of Innovation), MIPRO will be held as a side event of SDEWES conference.

## Speakers



Tonino Picula  
Croatian Member of the European Parliament



Đivo Markotić  
Načelnik općine Mljet



Tajana Huzak  
Assistant Minister,  
Directorate for Islands



Ivan Sršen  
Head of Mljet National Park



Director  
Institution Regional Energy Agency Kvarner  
Croatian national coordinator for EU Smart Islands Initiative



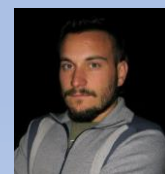
Damir Medved  
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Prof. Damir Juričić  
University of Rijeka  
Center for support to Smart and Sustainable Cities



Jany Hansal  
Udruga Desa



Ivan Zoković  
Island Movement



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## CONFERENCE VENUE – Hotel Pine Tree in Saplnunara

<https://pinetreemljet.com/>



**Mljet** is Croatia's greenest island with its Mediterranean vegetation, clear and clean sea, gentle sandy shoreline and a wealth of underwater sea life. The island is considered to be one of the most beautiful of the [Croatian islands](#) too. Mljet is well known for its white and red wine, olives and goat's cheese. It is indeed an unspoilt island covered by a dense Mediterranean forest. The sea around here is rich in fish and marine life. The island is also well known for its [two salted lakes - Veliko and Malo Jezero](#) that are located at the north end of the island. On the small [St Mary's Island](#) in the middle of Veliko Jezero lake, there is an old [Benedictine monastery](#). North- west part of the island of Mljet is also one of [Croatian National Parks](#), and is therefore, one of the favourite destinations for travellers to this part of Croatia. Beach in [Saplnunara](#) is considered among the [40 best beaches in Europe](#) and among [5 best in Croatia](#).



## ACCOMODATION

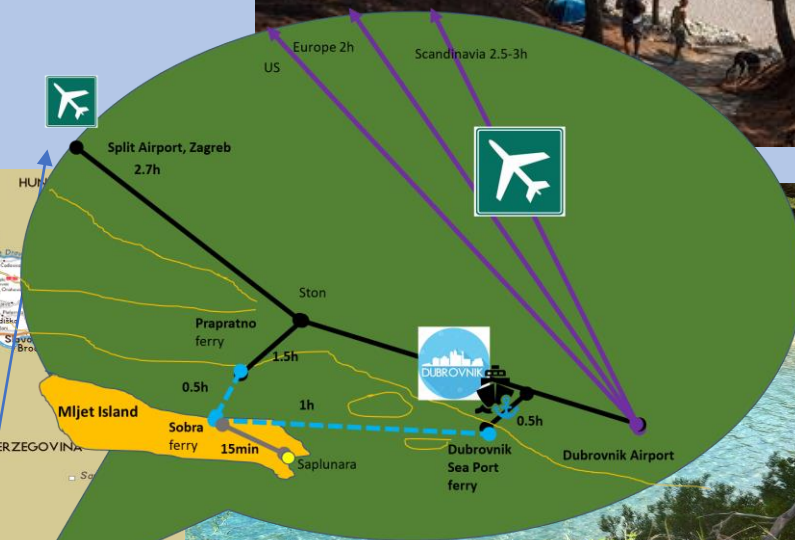
**Sustainable accommodation with minimal environmental impact provided at nearby private properties and by the venue hotel.**

To receive a discount on accommodation in Salunara or if you have further questions regarding the conference logistics like transportation options, schedules, transfer reservation from Sobra to Saplnunara please contact **Ms. Jany Hansal** Mobile phone: **+358 981733647** Email: [jany.hansal@gmail.com](mailto:jany.hansal@gmail.com)



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