

You are cordially invited to join a Discover Dinarics study tour in Slovenia and Croatia, organized by LIFE DINALP BEAR project in September.

As conflicts between humans and brown bears in Europe remain an on-going threat to the protection of the species, our project strives to increase tolerance toward bears through different conflict mitigation measures, including supporting locally based responsible bear related tourism. Discover Dinarics portal, established in the frame of the LIFE DINALP BEAR project, promotes unique nature guided trips that follow the guidelines for responsible bear tourism, emphasise bear friendly practices and support local communities.

We have created a tailored event that will give you an opportunity to visit some of the undiscovered parts of Slovenia and Croatia, where healthy bear population still remains and experience the highlights of the Discover Dinarics nature guided trips.

Study tour is offered free of charge to a limited number of journalists, tourism agents and managers. Please arrange your own transportation to and from Ljubljana – starting and finishing point of the study tour.

You can apply by email until 20th of August 2017 to <a href="irena.kavcic.bf@gmail.com">irena.kavcic.bf@gmail.com</a>

Join us to Discover Dinarics!

## DAY 1, 4th September

- Visiting a bear friendly beekeeper Kojek in Ribnica: presentation of the bear friendly concept
- Lecture on bears biology, ecology and research
- Bear watching
- Staying in a Bearlog Hostel in Kočevje

## DAY 2, 5th September

- Half day guided hiking tour on Roška: trail marked with the bear's paw goes through the vast area of forest, including virgin forest of Rajhenav
- Open-fire barbecue at Roška saw
- Wildlife watching and sleeping in the national park Risnjak forest hut

## DAY 3, 6th September

- Bear friendly breakfast
- Walk tour through Leska educational trail
- Visiting Juretić property in Leskova Draga and tasting products of mountain fruits
- Visiting the Castle of Zrinski and Bear's path in Brod na Kupi













