

EUROPEAN
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Surname(s) / First name(s)	Knez Rajko
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Nationality	Slovene
Date of birth	30.10.1969, place of birth: Slovenj Gradec (Slovenia)
Family	Married, two children
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WORK EXPERIENCE

- Dates (from – to) 1993-2011
- Name and address of employer Faculty of Law University of Maribor, Slovenia
 - Type of business or sector Academic, University sphere
 - Occupation or position held Jean Monnet Chair, Full professor at the Faculty of Law University of Maribor
- Main activities and responsibilities
 - Teaching activities:** Law on the EU (substantive law of the internal market, procedural law, legal remedies), Private international law, Environmental Protection law, Nature Protection Law, Legal Remedies in the EU Law
 - Research activities:** EU law - substantive law of the internal market, procedural law, legal remedies, Private international law, Environmental law, Consumer law, Public-Private Partnership relations and regulative framework, especially concessions, Media law.
 - Member of the Institute for Civil, Comparative and Private International Law at the University of Maribor, a member of the Institute for Economic Analysis of Law, a member of the Institute for Commercial Law and general manager of the Institute on the Law of the European Union.
 - From June 2007 until June 2011 the **Dean** of the Faculty of Law University of Maribor.
 - From July 2011 until July 2015 the **Vice-Dean** of the Faculty of Law University of Maribor.

EDUCATION

Date	1989-1993
Place of education	Maribor (Slovenia)

Name and type of organisation providing education *University of Maribor, Faculty of Law*
 Title or qualification awarded *University Degree Lawyer (LL.B.)*

Date *1993-1997 1997 - 2000*
 Place of education *Maribor (Slovenia)*

Name and type of organisation providing education *University of Maribor, Faculty of Law*
 Title or qualification awarded **1997 - Postgraduate Diploma - Master of Law in 1997: Environmental Liability of commercial subject**
2000 – Doctoral Thesis - Doctor of Law Science: Transferrable environmental allowances in environmental and private international law

TRAINING

Year *1993-up to know*

Place of training *Generally: Law Faculty University of Maribor (principal place of employment), and study visits abroad:*

Name and type of organisation providing training
 Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered

Austria - Karel Franzens University in Graz – European Law- 1993, 1994
Germany – Institute for Water Law, Bonn – Environmental Law - 1994
Great Britain - Kingston University Programme - Doing Business with England – Commercial Law – 1995
Italy – Institute for European Law, Venice – European Law – 1995
Netherlands - Institute for European law (Law Faculty University of Amsterdam) – 1996 and 1997 - European Law generally, European Private International Law and Procedure, European Consumer Law
USA:
- Private practice in Law Offices Moore & Bruce - Washington D.C., USA
- Private practice in Mezzullo & McCandlish - Richmond, USA
- practice in Law Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. , USA – all 1997 – all Environmental law, Commercial law
Luxembourg – 2005 – Court of Justice of the European Communities and Court of the First Instance of the European Communities,
Luxembourg – 2011 – Court of Justice of the EU and the General Court.

PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Acquired in the course of life and career but not necessarily covered by formal certificates and diplomas.

MOTHER TONGUE **Slovene**

OTHER LANGUAGES

	English	Croatian / Serbian	French	German
• Reading skills	Fluency	Fluency	Basics	Fluency
• Writing skills	Fluency	Fluency	Basics	Good
• Verbal skills	Fluency	Fluency	Basics	Good

SOCIAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Living and working with other people, in multicultural environments, in positions where communication is important and situations where teamwork is essential (for example culture and sports), etc.

He grown up in the multicultural environment, accompanied with foreign workers and their families in industrialized town Velenje. He is acquainted with the teamwork and he possesses necessary cooperation skills. Communication skills are well developed also through lectures, seminars, theoretical exercises and project oriented work.

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES
*Coordination and administration of
people, projects and budgets; at
work, in voluntary work (for example
culture and sports) and at home, etc.*

He has been engaged in several organizational projects like being **executive director** in TEMPUS project 07783/94 under which Law the Faculty University of Maribor was co-coordinating together with Amsterdam University as a Contracting Party (other parties were Law Faculty University in Trieste (I), Law faculty University Karel Franzens in Graz (A) and Law faculty University in Ljubljana (SLO)).

He was also the titleholder responsible for the following EU financed projects:

Jean Monnet Module (Contract C03/0099): **Free Movement of Services and Workers – Slovenian Perspective under EC Rules and Effect of European Citizenship** (the project is successfully concluded);

Jean Monnet Module (Contract 2004–2972/001–001): **Giving Effect to European Community Law in the Light of the Horizontal Direct Effect of Directives at Slovene Courts** (the project is successfully concluded);

He is currently the titleholder responsible for:

Jean Monnet Chair (contract 2007– 1560 /001 – 001): **European Legal Studies;**

Jean Monnet Module (decision 2008-2667/001-001): **Balancing Fundamental Rights and International Market Freedoms in EU Law**

Jean Monnet Module (decision 2009-3239/001-001): **Joint Seminars on EU Law – Harmonization with the EC Law**

Jean Monnet Module (decision 2010-4343/001-001): **Seminars on the Application of the EU Law at the Courts in Slovenia**

**TECHNICAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES**
*With computers, specific kinds of
equipment, machinery, etc.*

Windows Environment and Office programmes, Excel, WordPerfect, WinWord, Excel, MS-DOS, E-mail & Internet (Netscape, Outlook Express, Outlook, Mozilla Firefox, Skype...)

**ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- From 1994 on he has been engaged in **teaching activities as a assistant and assistant professor** in the fields of **Private International Law, Law on European Communities and Environmental Law;**
- From 1998 on (up to date) he is engaged with the **PPP project** (Concession for the Waste Water Treatment) in Maribor as a senior legal adviser; As a legal expert he participated in the pilot project on PPP: **Concession (BOT) contract for construction the Waste Water Treatment Plant and waste water treatment;** up to date he is a legal adviser of the concessionaire, owned by several foreign companies;
- From 2002 until 2004 he was engaged as a **senior legal adviser for PPP project: Service concessions for the maintenance of the Slovenian Roads** (other than highways) – a project under which the study way made whether the PPP can offer more advantages and economic effectiveness in comparison to public owned companies;
- Currently he is an associated professor and his activities on **European Union law** features (history, institutions, legislation, four freedoms, competition etc) are more advanced in the fields of fundamental freedoms -- **freedom to provide services, freedom of establishment, etc;**
- Currently he is an associated professor also for the **Private International Law**, covering both general part of PIL and also applicable law rules, international jurisdiction rules, rules of recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments. He is a title holder of the post-degree teaching subject **PIL and international contracts;**
- He is also a professor for **(European) Environmental law**. This teaching subject covers environmental law aspects in the Slovenian legal order as well as certain aspects from EU law (horizontal and specific issues) and beyond – like civil liability for environmental damage etc. It covers **full secondary environmental law of the EU;**

- He was engaged as a legal expert in establishment of the **Goričko Regional Park**;
- He was the leader of the experts' team in two international projects of the European Commission and Regional Environmental Centre from Budapest regarding the evaluation of the implementation of the environmental directives – **Environmental Conformity Checking** (altogether 32 directives);
- As a member of three team legal expert he was engaged in preparation of the Slovene **Law on Nuclear Liability**;
- Apart from being an associated professor at the Law Faculty University of Maribor, he is engaged in teaching activities at the **Faculty of Business and Economics**. He teaches the **Marketing Law**;
- Within the post-graduate law programs of different faculties he is a holder of three teaching subjects: (i) **European Court of Justice and Legal Remedies**; (ii) **Services, Free Movement of Workers and Social Politics** (iii) **Private international law and the European international procedural law**;
- He is a guest lecturer at the Juridicum (Wien, A), Graz and Zagreb Faculty of Laws – there he performs Joint Seminars on Harmonization with the EU law, etc);
- Apart from academic activities he is engaged in practising law through several institutes: (i) **Institute for Commercial Law**; (ii) **Institute for Civil, Comparative and Private International Law**; (iii) **Institute on the Law on European Union**; (iv) **Institute for Economic Analysis of Law**;
- He is engaged with the **free provision of services in the EU and posting of workers provisions**. In 2009 he prepared, in cooperation with the Ministry of Economy, the Slovene draft law on implementation of the **Directive in services on internal market (2006/123)**;
- He is also occupied with the **Consumer Protection Law**. In this field of interests he also published several articles in Slovenia and abroad (legal reviews like IPRax, Law and undertakings etc) with respect to Slovenian and comparative national and European consumer protection law;
- In 2006 he was **Expert 1** of the **CARDS 2000 Project: Capacity Building for Non Governmental Consumer Protection Associations in Croatia**;
- In 2010 he acted as an expert in working group and prepared a **legal study of conformity of the plans for construction of Gas Terminals in the Gulf of Trieste** with the overall EU Environmental rules

MEMBER OF THE BODIES, ORGANISATIONS

- He is a member of **Slovene Association for European Law** and the president of the arbitral tribunal of the mentioned association
- He is a **representative of Academic community of Slovenia** in the **High Council of the European University Institute in Florence (Italy)**;
- He is a member of **Commission for the treatment of the genetically modified organisms** at the Ministry for Environment and Spatial Planning (2008-2013)
- He is a member of **Council for environmental protection of the Republic of Slovenia** from July 2010 up to July 2015;
- He is a member of **Arbitration tribunal at the Slovene chamber of commerce**;
- He is a member of **Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)**, an international organization based in **The Hague in the Netherlands** (from 2011);
- He is a member of **Strategic Council for the Environmental Politics and Climate Change at the Slovene Chamber of Commerce** (Strateškega sveta za politiko varstva okolja in podnebne spremembe pri GZS) from 6.12.2011 on;
- He is a president of **Expert Council for Modern Justice** (from 23.3.2012).

AWARDS

- In **2007** he was selected among **10 the most influenced lawyers** in Slovenia;
- In **2008** was selected among **20 of the most influenced lawyers** in Slovenia;
- In **2009** was selected among **20 of the most influenced lawyers** in Slovenia;
- In **2010** he was selected among **10 the most influenced lawyers** in Slovenia;
- In **2011** he was selected among **20 of the most influenced lawyers** in Slovenia;

- In 2010 he received an award **Crystal Star** for visible achievements for recognising **Slovenia in EU**;

SIGNATURE

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pojko Kuz".