Sole trader

A sole trader ($samostojni\ podjetnik - s.p.$) is an individual who performs a business activity independently as their sole activity. In order to perform their business activities in Slovenia, foreign sole traders must register their activity with AJPES and be entered in the Slovenian Business Register.

Registration

A sole trader registers with AJPES on-line using a qualified digital certificate, or in person at SPOT (Slovenian Business Point). Foreigners must obtain a Slovenian tax number at Financial administration (FURS) and Slovenian ID number (EMŠO) at administrative unit prior to the registration.

Registration is completed within 1 hour. The one-stop shop (SPOT) provides all information and assistance needed for completing electronic forms in e-system applications; it then submits the application to AJPES and notifies other relevant institutions (FURS). AJPES decides on the application, enters the sole trader's registration in the Slovenian Business Register and issues its decision on registration to the sole trader.

Living and working in Slovenia

After registration, providing they fulfil the criteria to engage in the relevant activity and other conditions sole trader may begin operating.

In order to live and work in Slovenia, sole traders from third countries need to apply for a single working and residence permit which is granted if conditions prescribed by the Employment, Self-employment and Work of Aliens Act are met (see Employing Foreigners).