#### WE ARE ALL PIECES IN THE MOSAIC OF

## **PROTECTING THE ENVIRONM**







For the purpose of conserving biodiversity,

Slovenia has 38% of its land surface protected,
, which is the highest proportion in the EU.



Since 1 January 2019 **shoppers have had to pay for all plastic carrier bags** in Slovenia, and several retailers have even committed to completely removing all such bags from their check-outs from 1 September 2019.



In 2017 a total of **27%** of all generated **waste water** discharged from public sewers in Slovenia came from **households** (36% in 2013).



**Emissions of greenhouse gases** in Slovenia were **5% lower** in 2017 than in 2013.

WE ARE STILL GENERATING

**TOO MUCH WASTE...** 

2013

2017

4.6 million tons

**6.2** million tons

**BUT WE ARE AMONG THE LEADERS IN** 

### SEPARATE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING

The share of separately collected urban waste in Slovenia amounted to 70% in 2017 (63% in 2013), which within the EU puts us in second place after Germany.

By adopting the Zero Waste strategy,

Ljubljana is the first European capital city in the Zero Waste Europe network.

LEVEL OF RECYCLING

2013 **35** %

2017

**58 %** 



#### **URGENT COMMITMENT:**

# **FEWER CARS AND MORE FOREST**

Average emissions of carbon dioxide per kilometre for new private cars in 2017 amounted to 119.6 grammes, which is 0.6 grammes more than in 2016.





In the same period, the share of forest in the total land area of the country fell by 0.1 percent to 58.2 percent.

Slovenia still ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in the European Union in terms of forest cover, after Sweden and Finland.

**WE ARE AWARE THAT** 

### THE ENVIRONMENT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH INDIVIDUAL

A total of 86% of Slovenians participating in the European Social Survey (ESS) took the view that environmental protection requires personal responsibility. This **placed Slovenia 1**st **among those taking part**.

Source: SORS Government Communication Office