



REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA

Ljubljana, 15 May 2025

Dear Mr Metoki,

It is with great pleasure to present the candidacy of Mr Marjan Osvald for re-election to the post of Deputy Director General of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union (UPU).

Elected Deputy Director General of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union for the 2022–2025 term, Mr Osvald, whose CV is attached, has proven to be an exceptional leader, bringing to the UPU his extensive expertise and deep practical understanding of the postal sector. Building on a strong foundation of years spent at the Post of Slovenia, his tenure as UPU Deputy Director General has focused on ensuring the financial stability of the organisation, strengthening fair common standards for the free movement of postal items through increased cooperation, technical support and consultation, and reducing the gap in postal development between regions and countries.

His vision for the future remains strategic and forward-looking, with an unwavering commitment to innovation and multilateral cooperation, while adhering to the principles of accountability, transparency and inclusion. In excellent cooperation with Mr Masahiko Metoki, Director General of the UPU International Bureau, Mr Osvald has contributed significantly to the organisation's success in navigating the complex global challenges of the past three years and has demonstrated his commitment to implementing critical reforms, fostering global cooperation and advancing the UPU's mission of ensuring inclusive and efficient international postal services. His ability to build consensus among diverse stakeholders has been widely recognised and has been instrumental in strengthening the organisation's effectiveness and relevance in a rapidly changing and increasingly divided world. These qualities will be even more important in the future.

Mr Masahiko Metoki
Director General
Universal Postal Union

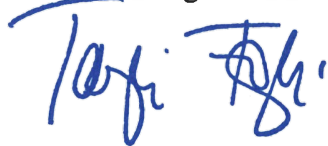
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Slovenia's commitment to the principles of balance, multilateralism and shared prosperity is consistent with Mr Osvald's leadership, and we are confident that he will continue to advance the UPU's common goals of fostering innovation, bridging gaps in postal infrastructure and promoting sustainable development. We fully support his continued leadership and commitment to advancing the UPU's objectives, and we are confident that his experience, achievements and dedication make him uniquely placed to continue to serve the UPU with distinction. His reappointment would ensure continuity, stability and progress for the organisation at a crucial time for the global postal sector.

Slovenia remains firmly committed to the UPU and looks forward to continuing our cooperation in the pursuit of a more interconnected and inclusive global postal network.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

*Ms Tanja Fajon
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*Mr Matjaž Han
Minister of the Economy, Tourism and
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