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## Dear partners and friends to the paper industry,

Despite this year's epidemiological situation, which changed our lives as well as our work, we are preparing our traditional International Meeting of Slovene Paper Industry to take place in the usual term; this year on 18 and 19 November.

But this year's event will be different. Since the situation is changing on a daily basis, the final form of the event still remains open and shall be defined in October. Confronted with the new reality we will carry out the event either in the usual form, or with a limited number of attendees on-site and other participants following the event on-line, or entirely on-line.

The title of the event had been defined already before the epidemic struck us, and it reads "Our Side of Paper". We, papermakers, know that there is science behind paper and paper products which requires special know-how and competences as well as proper raw material and other substances. New environmental objectives and other challenges, including the epidemiological ones, require further research and development towards circular economy, smart use of resources and energy, and new uses of products.

We expect an interesting insight into the future of paper industry perceived through the eyes of power engineers from paper mills, we will also mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Količevo Karton, and we will get to know the first new paper machine set up in Slovenia in the new millennium – in Paloma, Sladki vrh.

But since there cannot be any tradition of the event without you, our long-term and loyal partners, we again invite you to help us shape the event.

We have introduced some new possibilities; therefore, your support will be in line with new trends, i.e. more digital ③. We have enclosed a preliminary list of sponsorship packages which can be – due to the uncertain situation – changed if needed, as we want to keep our cooperation alive for next years.

We are looking forward to your reply, perhaps even a new idea for our cooperation, but also to your information if you have any scruples about your attending the event. Do not hesitate to contact us for further information, either by e-mail to <a href="mailto:petra.prebil.basin@gzs.si">petra.prebil.basin@gzs.si</a> or by phone to + 386 1 58 98 274.

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