

Tadej Slapnik

After he graduated from the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Maribor, he was working in the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia as a secretary of deputy group from 2000 - 2004. From 2002 - 2006 he was also a board member of the Financial Fund for Decommissioning of the Nuclear Power Plant Krško as a representative of the Slovenian parliament. From 2004 - 2009 he was director of the Youth Centre of Dravinja Valley - one of the biggest youth NGOs in Slovenia, especially in the field of youth mobility projects with EU and Mediterranean countries. In 2009 he became a member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia and was a member of the following parliamentary committees: for defence, social affairs, agriculture, supervision of secret services and European affairs. He was MP until December 2011. As parliamentarian he proposed a law on social entrepreneurship which was accepted in April 2011. In January 2012 he became a director of INEA institute for South East Europe. He was the initiator of establishing the Slovenian national Social enterprise forum in December 2011, and in January 2012 he was elected to become its secretary general. He was a member of city council of the town Slovenske Konjice since 1998 until 2013 and active on the humanitarian field as founding member of Lions club Konjice. From February 2013 - October 2014 he was working as a political advisor in the European Parliament. Since October 2014 he is a State Secretary in the Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia responsible for social and green economy. Since april 2015 he is a member of European Commission Expert group on social entrepreneurship (GECES) as representative of Republic of Slovenia. Since July 2016 he is a head of Government of Republic of Slovenia Working Group Partnership for green economy and since September 2016 he is a member of Circular Change Advisory Board, a stakeholder engagement platform focusing on the Circular Economy.