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Support for an independent National Institute for Adult Education

Dear Dr. Turk,

To our great concern, we have heard that there are plans to merge the National Institute for Adult Education with other organizations. We would like to express our support for the continuing independence of the Slovenian Institute, which is an EAEA member.

The Institute has been crucial for helping Slovenia make enormous progress in adult education and becoming a reference point for many themes and topics for European developments in adult learning. We are afraid that the loss of independence might lead to a loss of experience, expertise and the progress that has been made in the last 20 years and therefore ask you to assure its continued independent existence.

Best regards,

Gina Ebner

Secretary General EAEA