#### CV

#### **Personal details**

- Slovenian
- Born: March 22, 1958 in Kropa, Slovenia
- Married with 2 children

# **Current duties**

European Commissioner for Environment (since February 2010)

# **Political career**

- November 2004-February 2010: European Commissioner for Science and Research
- May 2004-November 2004: "Shadow" European Commissioner for Enlargement, sharing portfolio for six months with Commissioner Günther Verheugen
- 2002- 04 Slovenian Minister for European Affairs
- 1998-04 Head of the Negotiating Team for the Accession of Slovenia to the EU
- 2001-02 Minister Counsellor in Slovenian Prime Minister's cabinet

# **Professional career**

- 1993-2001 Director of the Institute of the Macroeconomic Analysis and Development, Ljubljana,
  Slovenia
- 1988-93 Senior Researcher at the Institute for Economic Research, Ljubljana
- 1984-87 Assistant Director at the Institute of Economic Analysis and Development, Ljubljana
- 1991-2004 part-time Assistant Professor of Statistics and Economy, Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana

### Other activities

- 2009 Honorary degree (doctor honoris causa), Ghent University, Belgium
- 2008 Honorary degree, Doctor of Science, Imperial College, London

## **Education**

- 1993 PhD in Economics, Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 1989 Master's degree, Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana
- 1983 Honours degree in Economics, Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana