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The talks begin!

- The Registration Office will be open during both coffee breaks, at 11:15–11:45 and 16:30–17:00.
- If you were not able to pick up your conference certificate, you can pick it up during the afternoon coffee break.
- All hotel lunches today and tomorrow will be at Kompas.
- Yesterday's TeleGraph is now online at https://sicgt.si/announcements

THE WEATHER

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 28 °C
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 31 °C
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Storms expected today—don't forget to bring an umbrella!

Sections starting today

- Association Schemes and Related Algebras,
- Applications of Graphs in Algebra, Linear Algebra, and Functional Analysis,
- Combinatorial Designs and their Applications,
- Algorithmic Graph Theory,
- General Session,
- Symmetries of Graphs and Related Structures.

LOCATIONS (REPEATED)

The the talks will take place in both conference hotels: Ramada Resort and Kompas. Ramada Resort (**RAM**) is where you registered.

To reach Kompas (**Kom**) from **RAM**, exit the hotel through the main entrance, cross the parking and the street behind it, pass the sport grounds on your right, and walk straight through an arch to reach the hotel side door. The distance between the two hotels is about 170 m (550 ft).

KOMPAS

- Plenary Hall (plenary talks), in the hotel basement,
- Kom-1-3 (minisymposia), in the basement,
- lobby (coffee breaks).

RAMADA

- **RAM-OVAL** (minisymposia and ceremonies) on the ground floor; (cross the terrace),
- **RAM-ZELENCI** (registration office), on the first floor,
- **RAM-VITRANC** (minisymposia), on the second floor,
- **RAM-PLANICAL** and **RAM-PLANICAR** (streamed plenary talks and minisymposia), on the top floor.

A CHILDREN'S STORYBOOK

During your exploration of the town, you may have already encountered the name Kekec on multiple occasions. Kekec, a beloved fictional child hero, was created by the writer Josip Vandot. This fearless shepherd hails from the highlands of Karavanke and Julian Alps, captivating the hearts of many with his adventures.

The story unfolds as follows. In an alpine valley lies an idyllic village. High up in the mountains live two men: the good herb picker Kosobrin and the evil poacher Bedanc. The latter has a girl servant Mojca who tells Kosobrin of her difficult life. Although in fear of Bedanc's revenge, the old man takes her with him. Unfortunatley, he gets caught by Bedanc.



A scene from the 1951 movie.

Kosobrin is freed by Kekec, who is next to get caught; he refuses to help Bedanc find Mojca. Kekec's father and a herdsman looks for Kekec in mountains, but only finds his bag and presumes that Kekec has been attacked by an eagle. The plot continues to thicken until finally, Kekec prevails by his resourcefulness and cunning. Bedanc sets his cottage on fire and leaves the country. Kekec returns to his village, where he is greeted cherfully by all the people. The story was first published in 1918; since then, Kekec has become widely recognized as a superhero and cultural icon. Quite probably, he has a special place in the heart of any Slovenian you will meet, including the organizers. The movie Kekec (1951) was the first Slovenian international award winner; it won a Golden Lion in the Children's Film category at the Venice Film Festival in 1952. You can try asking people to sing the theme song "Dobra volja je najbolja" ("Good mood is the best").

KNOTS BY STITCH

Did you solve yesterday's puzzle yet?

REDOX

The 8×8 grid below is to be filled with the symbols X and O. In horizontal and vertical lines, no three consecutive spaces are permitted to carry the same symbol. Diagonally, three-in-a-rows are permitted and whenever this happens, the center cell of the three is tinted. Some X's and O's are given; can you determine the rest?

