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Over the past decade Israel has emerged as a one of the world's leading technological giants. Remarkably, despite its small size, Israel ranks **first in the world in venture capital investments** as a percentage of GDP and **first in R&D investment**. It has the **second-largest number of startup companies in the world** (after the United States). Israel is home to **12 Nobel Prize laureates** and a pioneer in industries ranging from biotechnology to financial engineering.

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Venue: Grand hotel Union, Ljubljana

9:00 - 9:30	Introductory Janko Jamnik , National Institute of Chemistry Slovenia Alenka Bratušek , The Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia Jernej Pikalo , The Minister for Education, Science and Sport HE Shmuel Meiom , Ambassador of the State of Israel to Slovenia
9:30 - 10:30	Dan Shechtman He is the Philip Tobias Professor of Materials Science at the Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, an Associate of the US Department of Energy's Ames Laboratory, and Professor of Materials Science at Iowa State University. He was awarded the 2011 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for "the discovery of quasicrystals".
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 11:20	Mirjana Oblak (SI-TT) President of The Association of Technology Transfer Professionals of Slovenia.
11:20 – 11:40	Jure Mikuž (RSG Capital) He has established the first Slovenia-based VC Fund, raising private commitments mostly from domestic industrial investors.
11:40 - 12:25	Nava Swersky Sofer A leader in the fields of innovation, venture capital and technology transfer.
12:25 - 14:25	Lunch
14:25 - 15:10	Ehud Levy (Vertex Venture Capital) Vertex Venture Capital is a top-tier Israeli VC with a strong international investor base.
15:10 - 15:55	Oren Simanian (Star TAU) Key-person in the Israeli start-up ecosystem, innovator and entrepreneur.
15:55 - 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 - 17:30	Presentation of Slovenian start-up companies.
Evening	Reception hosted by the Ministry for Education, Science and Sport.