LJUBLJANA

23-27 APRILE 2026

RIVERS AND CITIES
TERRITORIAL INNOVATION SUMMER SCHOOL

Day ONE - 23th April (Thursday)
University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture
16:00 Welcome and introduction
16:30 Collective Inputs
20:00 Boat night tour of the Ljubljana

Day TWO - 24th April (Friday)
Škofja Loka
08:00 Central railway station
09:00 Welcome and meeting at the Municipality of Škofja Loka
11:00 Exploration of the city and project area
14:00 Lunch break
15:00 Field work
19:00 Round of critics

Day THREE - 25th April (Saturday)
University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture
09:00 Group work
13:00 Lunch break
14:00 Group work
17:00 Round of critics
19:00 Tour of the Ljubljana

Day FOUR - 26th April (Sunday)
University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture
09:00 Group work
13:00 Lunch break
14:00 Exploring Urban Life along the Ljubljana Riverside
Independent group work

Day FIVE - 27th April (Monday)
University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture
09:30 Public presentations of the groups and concluding remarks
13:00 Closing

ERASMUS+ BIP PROGRAMME
3 ECTS

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University of Palermo, Faculty of Architecture as special guest Maurizio Carta, Barbara Lino, Daniele Ronsivalle
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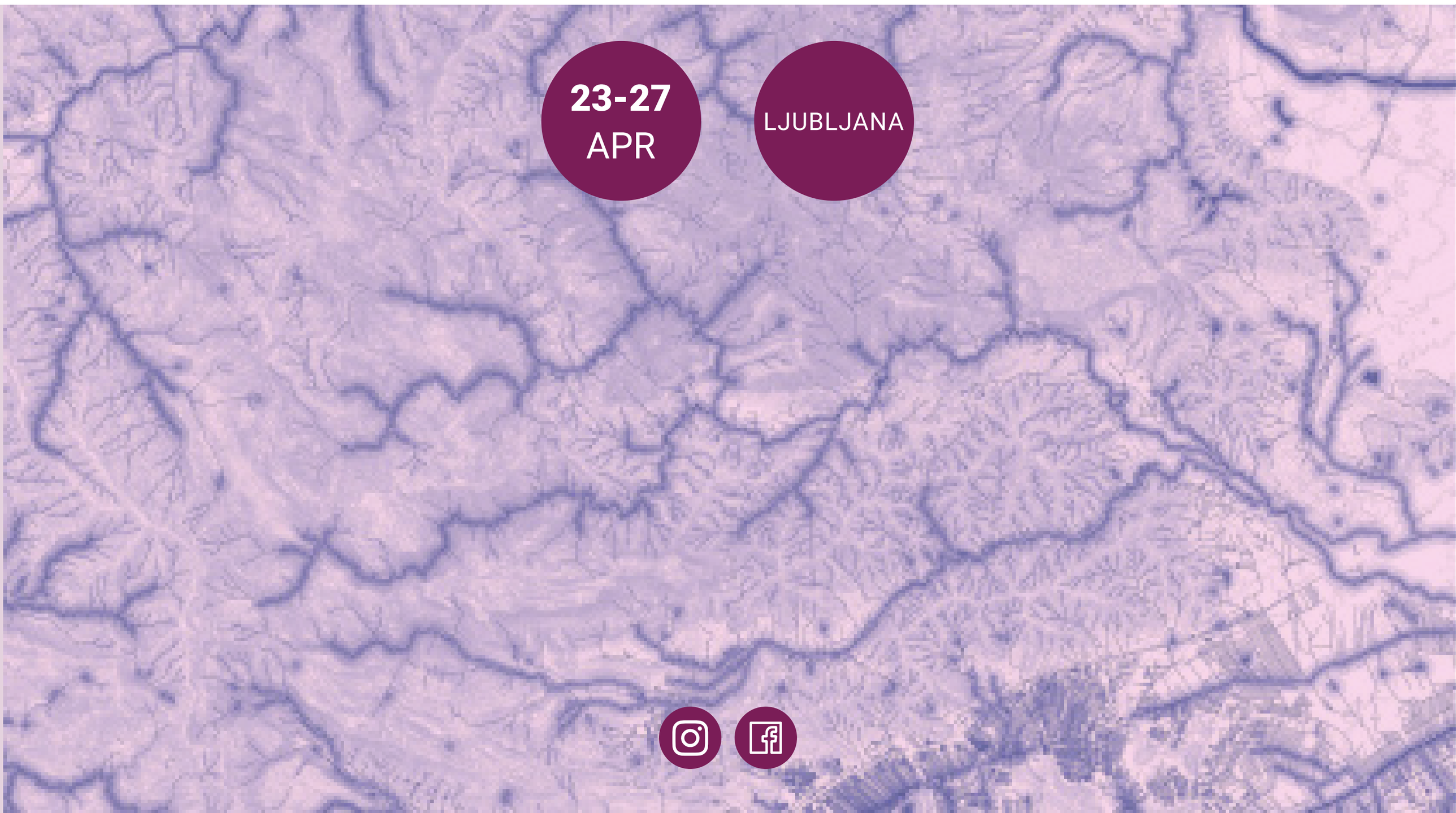

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Living with Urban Streams and Flows

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Virtual mobility
10-17 APR 2026

Physical mobility
LJUBLJANA, 23-27 APR 2026
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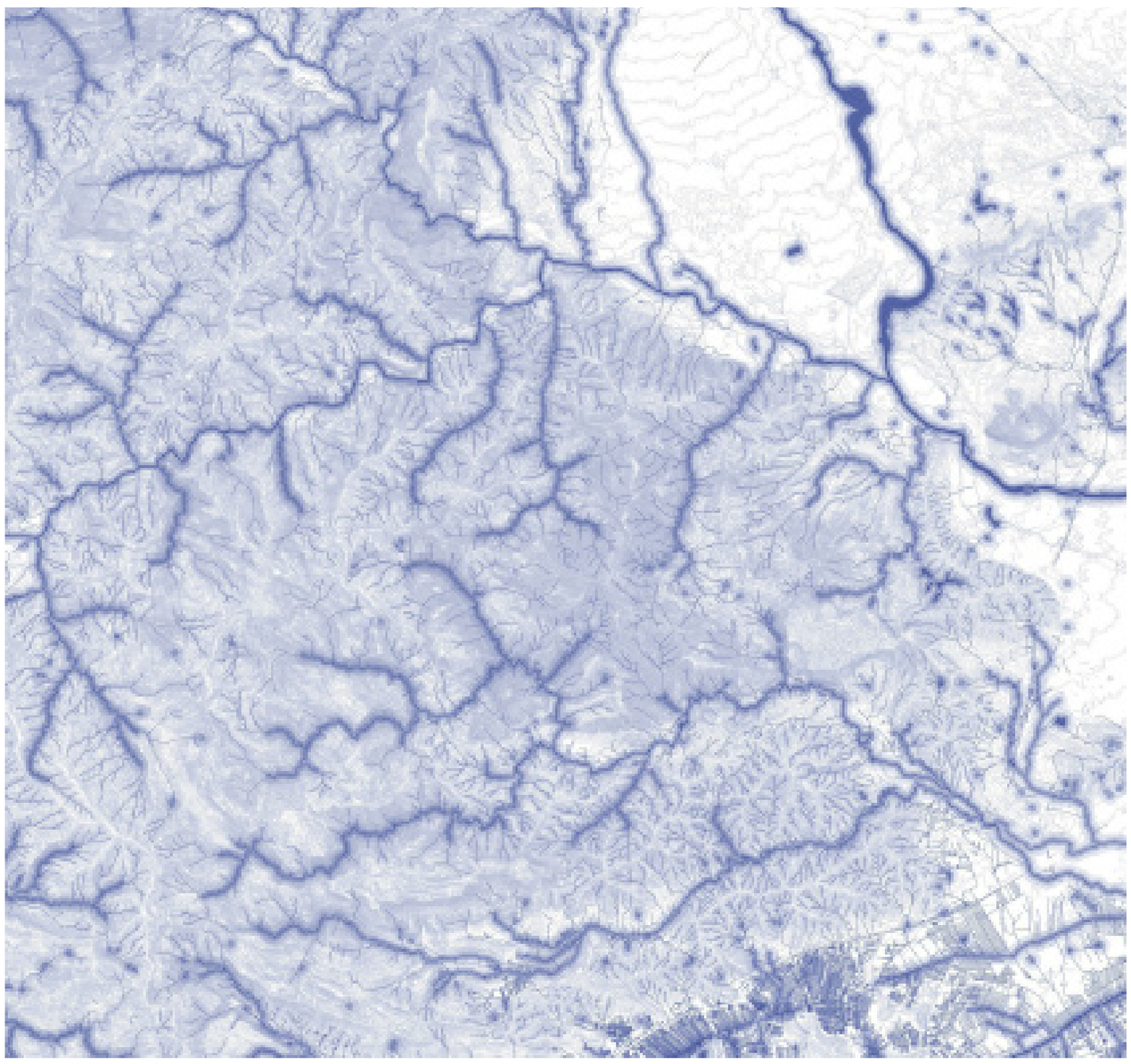
1. INTRODUCTION
The “Rivers and cities” workshop in the new Erasmus+ Programme BIP (Blended Intensive Programme) is the fourth event in a series, the itinerant laboratory for territorial innovation first initiated by the Leibniz University Han nover, which com-bines the skills of partners with multiple chal lenges in different situations applying innovative approaches in urban planning, design and architecture that are the subject of the partners’ methodological research.
After the Territorial Innovation Summer School “TOWN CENTRE PATHWAYS WORKSHOP” in Hannover, the Territorial Innovation Summer School “TOWARDS JESI 2050 VISIONS FOR TRANSITIONAL URBAN HABITATS” in Jesi Ancona and “UR-BAN AMPLIFIERS” in Palermo, the fourth edition of the Territo-rial Innovation Summer School is organised by the Faculty of Archi tecture, University of Ljubljana.
The Territorial Innovation Summer School focuses on urban and metropolitan habitats and aims to implement strategies and concrete actions to pursue climate neutrality, the inclusion of di-verse communities and new economic opportunities based on cultural, green and digital innovation. The spatial forms that take into account the new organisation of living spaces, the most flexible combination of living and working, the focus on social and spare time activities, the promotion of social innovation and the opportunities of the circular econo my are addressed from an urbanist perspective. The skills and techniques of ur-ban planning, design and architecture are integrated with those of sustainable mobility, service design, civil engi neering, geo-graphical and social disciplines and ecological sciences.

2. METHODOLOGY AND OUTCOMES
The BIP workshop will operate in two complementary formats: a virtual, long-distance phase and a physical, face-to-face phase, further divided into lectures and expert presentations, exploratory work on site(s) and work on the projects at the faculty. The pedagogy is based on learning through case studies and bestpractice examples, combined with the development of design proposals for real, concrete locations under the guidance of mentors and tutors.

3. THEMATIC FRAMEWORK AND LOCATION
Rivers and streams have fundamentally shaped the emergence and development of cities, influencing their structure, identity, and everyday life. Throughout history, they have served as sources of water and energy, transport routes, and systems of production and disposal, while today increasingly functioning as spaces of leisure, recreation, and social life.
At the same time, rivers represent an inherently dynamic and unpredictable ele-ment, capable of both sustaining and threatening urban settlements. Living with rivers therefore requires a continuous balance between use, protection, and coex-istence.
Škofja Loka, located at the confluence of the Selška and Poljanska Sora rivers, offers a rich case study of these evolving relatioships. The workshop will explore five distinct river ambiences, differing in history, character, use, and geomorphological conditions — from everyday living spaces and swimming areas to former industrial sites and floodprone landscapes.

4. OBJECTIVES
• To *analyze and design river spaces* along the Sora rivers based on historical layers, present uses, and local identity;
• To *develop public, recreational, residential, and mixed-use river environments* that strengthen every-day relationships between city and water;
• To *create diverse spatial experiences,* ranging from open and social to quiet and contemplative settings;
• To *improve access to water* while respecting ecological systems and river biotopes;
• To *promote resilient and adaptable design strategies* addressing flooding and climaterelated challenges;
• To *prioritize nature-based and sustainable design approaches* over purely technical solutions;
• To *rethink former industrial areas through adaptive reuse,* local materials, and participatory processes;
• To *compare river spaces of Škofja Loka and Ljubljana* with international bestpractice examples.



MODALITÀ DI PARTECIPAZIONE

Potranno partecipare alla summer school **5 studenti selezionati** iscritti al corso di Laurea Magistrale in Ingegneria Edile - Architettura.

Dal 26.02.2026 al 05.03.2026 le candidature devono essere presentate online entrando in **area riservata**: ESSE3 web > mobilità internazionale > Bandi di mobilità.

Compilare il **modulo di candidatura** e caricare i seguenti **allegati**:
1. curriculum vitae (max 1 pagina)
2. lettera motivazionale (max 1 pagina)
3. breve portfolio, con denominazione dei workshop o corsi frequentati, con particolare riguardo agli esami progettuali (max 1 pagina)
4. certificazione linguistica o autodichiarazione iscrizione con esami che riporti il superamento dell’esame di lingua inglese presso l’UNIVPM (opzionale)
5. autocertificazione in cui il/la candidato/a dichiara di non aver preso parte in precedenza ad altri workshop progettuali, nazionali o internazionali, organizzati dal Corso di Studi in Ing. Edile-Architettura (opzionale)

La selezione terrà in considerazione il punteggio del CV, con particolare riguardo alle esperienze progettuali, e l’anno d’iscrizione dello studente per garantire una partecipazione eterogena.

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Per la frequentazione della summer school saranno riconosciuti **3 ECTS extranumerari**.