

Spoštovane kolegice, kolegi in vsi, ki spremljate današnje srečanje prek spleta,

doktorski študij predstavlja vrh izobraževalne piramide in steber raziskovalnega dela. Pomemben je za razvoj družbe in gospodarstva. V Sloveniji se največ doktoric in doktorjev znanosti ponaša prav z doktorsko listino Univerze v Ljubljani, kjer imamo na področju doktorskega študija dolgo tradicijo. Prve doktorice in doktorji znanosti so svoj študij začeli v tujini, ustanovitev Univerze v Ljubljani leta 1919 pa jim je omogočila, da so ga zaključili doma. Prvi doktorski naziv na Univerzi v Ljubljani je pred stotimi leti, natančneje 15. julija 1920, prejela Ana Mayer, ki je doktorirala s področja kemije. Da je bila ženska prva prejemnica doktorata na najstarejši in največji univerzi v Sloveniji, ima pomembno simbolno vrednost, saj je bil v tistih časih akademski svet v močni prevladi moškega spola.

Z današnjim praznovanjem 100. obletnice doktorskega študija se lahko s ponosom ozremo na prehojeno pot. Na Univerzi v Ljubljani smo tako promovirali že 11.952 doktoric in doktorjev znanosti, samo v zadnjih petih letih 2.026. Ko smo leta 2007 oblikovali Doktorsko šolo, je ta prevzela institucionalno odgovornost za doktorski študij na programih vseh znanstvenih disciplin naše univerze. Rezultati so zgovorni - znani smo po kakovosti doktorskega študija, ki je prepoznaven tudi v svetovnem visokošolskem prostoru. Hvala sodelavkam in sodelavce za odlično delo. Prepričan sem, da gre pot uspeha lahko samo še navzgor. Iskrene čestitke!

Dear colleagues and all those following today's gathering online,

Doctoral studies stand at the pinnacle of the education pyramid and are a cornerstone of research. They are crucial to the development of society and the economy. Most of the doctors of science and philosophy in Slovenia boast a doctorate from the University of Ljubljana, where doctoral study has a long tradition. The first doctors of science and philosophy began their studies abroad, but the founding of the University of Ljubljana in 1919 enabled them to complete those studies at home. The university's first doctorate, which was in chemistry, was awarded 100 years ago (on 15 July 1920 to be precise) to Ana Mayer. That a woman was the first recipient of a doctorate at Slovenia's oldest and biggest university bears an important symbolic value, as the academic world at that time was a highly male-dominated one.

On today's 100th anniversary of doctoral study at the University of Ljubljana, we can look back with great pride at the path we have travelled up to now. The university has produced 11,952 doctors of science and philosophy so far, with 2,026 of those coming in the last five years alone. When the Doctoral School was established in 2007, it assumed institutional responsibility for doctoral study in all academic disciplines at the university. The results speak for themselves. We are renowned for the quality of our doctoral programmes across the global higher-education arena. I thank my colleagues for their excellent work. I am certain that our successes can only become ever more numerous. My sincere congratulations to all of you.