

Official name in original language	Sodni svet Republike Slovenije
Official name in English	The Judicial Council of the Republic of Slovenia
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Brief history	The Judicial Council was first established in 1990 by Act Amending the Ordinary Courts Act. After declaration of independence of Republic of Slovenia in 1991 and adoption of the Slovenian Constitution the Judicial Council was granted a constitutional status.
Constitutional or legal status/basis	The Judicial Council is by Constitution a sui generis body.
Legal acts regulating the Status	The Constitution, the Judicial Council Act, the Judicial Service Act, the Courts Act.
Composition:	
Total number of members	11 members
Term of office	6 years Every three years two or three members of the Council shall be elected by the National Assembly and three members of the Council shall be elected by and from among judges performing a permanent judicial function.
Is there a possibility to be renewed as a member?	Yes, but not immediately upon expiration of the term of office.
Do the members have a full-time position or not?	No, the function of all members is honorary and is performed on a non-professional basis. Members gather in sessions every two weeks.
Make up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Six members are elected amongst judges - Five members are recruited from other legal professions (university professors of law, attorneys and other lawyers) and elected by the National Assembly on the proposal of the President of the Republic of Slovenia.
Is there a majority of Judges?	Yes, as six out of 11 members of the Council are judges.

Presidency	President and vice president are both elected by a 2/3 majority of the members of the Judicial Council.
Main Competences:	
Career of judges	The Council: selects candidates for judges and proposes them to the National Assembly to be elected; appoints first and second instance judges (as a type of promotion), appoints and dismisses presidents and vice-presidents of courts except for the president of the Supreme Court of Republic of Slovenia, decides on different other promotions (e. g. within salary grades and on promotion to the title of senior judge), decides on the incompatibility of judicial function, adopts the criteria for the assessment of the work of judges, decides on the various appeals of a judges ...
Judicial training	No competence
Discipline	The Judicial Council appoints all members of the disciplinary bodies which operate within the Council. Three members of the Council also have to be members of the disciplinary court that has nine members. The Council also enforces decisions (disciplinary sanctions) of the disciplinary court.
Ethics	The Judicial Council appoints all five members of the Ethics and Integrity Commission which operates within the Council. One member of the Council has to be a member of the Ethics and Integrity Commission. The Council also adopts the Code of Judicial Ethics.
Opinions on legislation / other opinions	The Judicial Council gives its opinions on legislation or proposals legislation concerning the Judiciary.
Status of decisions	Administrative nature
Review	A special lawsuit in an administrative dispute is allowed against all decisions of the Judicial Council. This type of dispute is to be adjudicated by the Supreme Court of the Republic of Slovenia, sitting in panel of five judges, in 30 days.
Budget	Funds for the work of the Council are provided from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia. The Council is an autonomous and direct budget user.