

JASNA GABRIČ



Born in 1985 in Trbovlje, Slovenia. Jasna Gabric has been mayor of Trbovlje (Population 16,100), a former mining town in Slovenia, since November 2014 till December 2022. She did not run for the third mandate, but became a member of city council. When she was elected, she was the youngest Mayor in Slovenia. By the time she was re-elected with 68 per cent of the vote in November 2018, unemployment in the town had fallen from 22 per cent to 13 per cent. During Mayor Gabrič's first term, Trbovlje also won a nationwide safe city award.

For her achievements as a Mayor she was awarded the title Mayor of Distinction by the City Mayors Foundation in the beginning of 2019.

A broadcaster, Jasna Gabric stood successfully for election to the municipal council at the age of 25 in 2010. She was Deputy Mayor during the second

half of her term as councillor.

She is a member of the European Committee of the Regions since 2012. She chairs the Joint Consultative Committee that the European Committee of the Regions has set up with North Macedonia for more than 6 years now. She is a member of Commission for the Environment, Climate Change and Energy (ENVE) and The Commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional and External Affairs (CIVEX) at the Committee of the regions. Since 2015 to 2022 she was a member of the working body of the eastern cohesion region in Slovenia, which dealt with topics in the field of cohesion policy. From 2019 to 2022, she led the group for development projects at the Association of Municipalities and Towns of Slovenia. On behalf of the Association of Municipalities and Towns of Slovenia, Jasna was also a member of some negotiating groups in the name of association at the government of the Republic of Slovenia. In 2022 she became the first female president of Association of Municipalities and Towns of Slovenia.

Jasna Gabrič has a Bachelor Degree in Economics and a Master's Degree in Social Sciences from the University of Ljubljana. She won a faculty (national) award for her final dissertation. She did a part of the studies in Estonia and worked in USA as a student.

Career:

- 2022: President of Association of Municipalities and Towns of Slovenia (SOS)
- 2020-2021: a member of European Young Leaders Programme
- 2014 to December 2022: Mayor of Trbovlje
- 2015 to 2019: Vice-President of the Association of Municipalities of Slovenia (ZOS)

- 2019 to present: President of the Association of Municipalities and towns of Slovenia (SOS) for cities with administrative unit
- 2016 to 2019 Member of the national advisory group participating in the "Europe Goes Local" project
- 2016 to 2019: Chair of the Regional Council
- 2012 to 2014: Deputy Mayor of Trbovlje
- 2002 to 2012: Journalist and Moderator for several regional radio stations