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### **Summary**

For the third consecutive year, companies and cooperatives drew up annual reports for 2008 in accordance with the Slovenian Accounting Standards 2006 (SRS 2006) or International Accounting Standards and the Companies Act (ZGD-1).

For statistical purposes, companies and cooperatives submitted data from their annual reports for 2008 to the Agency of the Republic of Slovenia for Public Legal Records and Related Services (AJPES) by 31 March 2009. Data were submitted by 51,997 companies with 510,754 employees and by 301 cooperatives with 3,457 employees. The former and the latter have finished their operations in 2008 with total positive difference between net profit and net loss. The positive difference between the net profit and net loss of companies totalled 1,656,533,288 EUR and positive difference between the net profit and net loss of cooperatives amounted to 4,964,776 EUR.

For 2008, companies posted a half lower positive difference between net profit and net loss than for 2007, partly on account of a lower positive difference between operating revenues and operating expenses, but mainly due to a high negative difference between financial revenues and financial expenses. The lower positive difference between operating revenues and operating expenses can be explained by a decline in orders in the second half of 2008. The negative difference between financial revenues and financial expenses was mainly due to the declining values of securities on stock exchanges and the global financial crisis in the second half of 2008. Companies reduced the values of shares, interest and other investments in line with Explanation 1 to SRS 3 – impairment of investments to the detriment of profit and loss (through financial expenses) or equity (through the revaluation surplus). Deteriorated performance results and a lower revaluation surplus have a negative impact on the value of equity; at the end of 2008, the equity financing rate was thus lower, while the debt financing rate was higher than at the end of 2007.

For 2008, cooperatives posted a one-third lower positive difference between net profit and net loss than for 2007. Due to the global financial crisis, the positive difference between financial revenues and financial expenses dramatically decreased in the second half of 2008. Cooperatives as well as companies reduced the

value of investments in line with Explanation 1 to SRS 3. At the end of 2008, the cooperatives demonstrated a somewhat lower equity financing rate and higher debt financing rate than at the end of 2007.

This Working Paper is divided into three parts:

- the first part analyses the performance of companies in 2008 as a whole, classified according to activity, number of employees, whether they are a micro-, small, medium-sized or large company, whether they export, the kind of ownership and origin of the capital.
- The second part analyses the performance of cooperatives in 2008.
- The third part, analyses data (for 2008) of legal entities having outstanding matured liabilities for more than five consecutive days per month, the number of compulsory settlements, bankruptcy and liquidation procedures begun in court, and the legal entities that were struck off the court register according to the Financial Operation of Companies Act and to the new Financial Operations, Insolvency Proceedings and Compulsory Dissolution Act.

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