Country: **Slovenia**

Period: **July-December 2016**

**Country Report**

**1. Activities**

**- Lecturing/teaching outside the home university**

Jason Blake: “Winter Dreams: Politeness”. Guest Lecture at Masaryk University, Brno, Oct. 18, 2016.

**- Outreach**

Michelle Gadpaille: “In the Words of Immigrants: Canadian Settlers across Two

Centuries”, lecture at 9th Maribor International Summer School: *Aspects of Migration:*

*Historical and Current*, Maribor, July 3–10, 2016.

**- Cultural activities**

Poet Laureate George Elliott Clarke and poet Pierre Neveu were at the "Days of Poetry and Wine 2016" in Ptuj (Slovenia), August 23-25, 2016.

**4. Young Canadianists**

**- Theses**

1. The Devil Within: Warrior Archetypes in Three Day Road by Joseph Boyden.

Master thesis by Luka Kompara. Supervisor Michelle Gadpaille, defended August 25, 2016.

1. Leonard Cohen: Man in a Suit. Master thesis by Ana Furlan. Supervisor Victor Kennedy, defended September 2016.
2. Alice Munro's Short Fiction Against the Slovene Literary and Cultural Background.

PhD thesis by Tjaša Mohar. Supervisor Michelle Gadpaille, defended September 2016.

**5. Collaborative activities**

**- Visiting lecturers**

1) Poet Endre Farkas, guest lecture at University of Ljubljana, Canadian Literature Class, Nov. 3, 2016

2) Author Mark Anthony Jarman, guest lecture at University of Ljubljana, Canadian Literature Class, Nov. 7, 2016

**6. Recognition**

**- Grants, awards, prizes**

1. Stella Aslani from University of Ljubljana received the "Prešeren Prize" (awarded by the University of Maribor) for her Master thesis "A Work of Art as an Expression of Society and Concrete Examples From Yann Martel’s Life of Pi".