



# UNIOR GROUP DRIVES THE FUTURE OF ITS DIVERSE BUSINESS WITH INTELLIGENT INFRASTRUCTURE

Tames business complexity, expands innovation in manufacturing and tourism

## Industry

Manufacturing

## Objective

Build on history of manufacturing excellence with innovation and business growth across diverse business lines

## Approach

Invest in future-ready technologies that enable IT to grow and adapt to continually changing business demands

## IT matters

- Accelerates IT response to business requests for resources
- Assures 100% availability for mission-critical operations
- Frees IT to focus on innovation and business enablement

## Business matters

- Improves business agility to serve diverse customer demands
- Keeps critical manufacturing operations running 24x7
- Positions Unior for future growth and business expansion



**Unior continually invests in future-ready technologies to move its diverse, growing business forward. The company requires high uptime for critical manufacturing and hospitality operations, and IT agility for quickly responding to new business demands. Unior gets all this—while simplifying IT management—with intelligent, composable server, storage, and networking solutions from HPE.**

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– Rok Planinsec, Chief Information Officer, Unior Group

### Customer at a glance

#### Solution

Mission-critical IT infrastructure for diverse manufacturing business and hospitality services

#### Hardware

- HPE Synergy composable infrastructure
- HPE Primera storage
- HPE StoreOnce Backup
- Aruba networking

#### Software

- HPE InfoSight
- HPE OneView
- Veeam Backup & Replication

#### HPE Pointnext Services

HPE Proactive Care

Supplying parts to many of the world’s largest and most prestigious auto makers puts a lot of pressure on a company’s manufacturing operations. Yet, imagine this is only one of four demanding business lines, each serving a distinct customer base around the clock, 365 days a year. That’s Unior.

Unior is one of the leading worldwide manufacturers from Slovenia, producing key components for the auto industry, as well as hand tools for craftsmen and special-purpose machines for steel processing. Interestingly, the company also operates a number of hotels in popular resort communities in Slovenia.

Such a diverse business could create massive complexity for Unior’s lean IT team. But the team tames complexity and simplifies infrastructure operations with an intelligent infrastructure built on HPE technologies. Ivan Cizel, Unior’s IT manager, comments, “We standardize on HPE technologies because they are easy to use, and they just work. Instead of fighting fires, we can focus on our business.”

Aruba for its core network and Wi-Fi, as well as HPE StoreOnce backup with Veeam Backup & Replication.

Cizel explains, “HPE Synergy and HPE Primera provide us with an intelligent private cloud foundation. We get the agility to react quickly when the business needs services for some new project. And our HPE technologies also make it simple, so we can provide a responsive, seamless experience for our end users.”

High availability is a major requirement. Rok Planinsec, Unior’s chief information officer, remarks, “It’s imperative that our business users can access critical systems to support our production operation and be able to complete reservations for guests at our resorts. Guaranteed 100% uptime was an important factor for choosing HPE Primera. We cannot afford downtime in any area of our business.”

To simplify management of the IT infrastructure, the Unior team relies on HPE OneView as a single interface for provisioning, updating, and integrating its compute, storage, and network environments. The team also uses HPE InfoSight to continuously monitor health and performance of the infrastructure. And for added assurance, Unior counts on expert technical support from HPE Proactive Care, which plans and delivers firmware upgrades and patches so the IT team can stay focused on the business.

Planinsec concludes, “We feel the commitment from HPE to our business. It’s a partnership where we can talk openly about our challenges and objectives, and together find technology solutions to lead Unior into the future.”

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