

**Bokashi Academy**

# How two European municipalities connected their politics and citizens with bokashi composting

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In this lesson of the Bokashi academy, we want to show you that there are even waste management companies starting to realize that bokashi composting is an important part of properly managing organic waste inside every household. The two progressive waste management companies are Snaga Maribor from Slovenia and Unikom Osijek from Croatia.

Snaga Maribor became one of the first waste management companies in Slovenia to choose this innovative approach to proper organic waste collection. Their pilot project included the distribution of Bokashi Organko composting bins to 500 households. The goals of this pilot project are very clear. Our mission and goals of Snaga Maribor came together to reduce the amount of organic waste in households and sorting facilities, to establish circular management of organic waste, and to lower costs of organic waste collection.

Unikom Osijek took things even further. They've managed to implement a very noticeable improvement in organic waste management. Some residents of apartment buildings who can't compost their organic waste got Bokashi Organko composters. That way, people started reducing the volume of their organic waste easily. Moreover, at Unikom Osijek, they report that the amount of mixed waste has continued to drop every year since that implementation. Moreover, many users are extremely pleased with Bokashi Organko bins. They report using the bokashi liquid to fertilize their indoor and balcony plants and to clean their drains.

Both of these waste management companies and their cities ought to be applauded for their progressive thinking and for taking the steps in the right direction. We are very optimistic and know that more and more towns and cities will follow their examples. This is where you can help a lot. By joining the Bokashi academy, you are a part of the solution. You can tap yourself on the back as you know you'll also take action and start managing organic waste properly. In addition, we encourage you to spread the word. Educate others, tell them about the solution, or share the link to Bokashi academy with your connections. And perhaps, even reach out to your local authorities and waste management companies. By doing so, you can make a world of difference. Remember: Together, we can make a real impact!