



IN VINO GRATITUDO

2026 SLOVACIÆ

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Dear friends of sacramental wine,

We invite you to participate in the inaugural edition of the Sacramental Wines Competition **IN VINO GRATITUDO 2026 Slovaciae, MEA GRATI**. We also kindly ask you to register your sacramental/liturgic wines for this competition scheduled to take place **on 5 May 2026** in the presence of respected certified wine judges.

The main goal of the competition is to present and support the production and sale of sacramental wines, particularly to promote these wines and winemaking among consumers, while also raising awareness of sacramental wines among the general public. An important aspect of the event is the exchange of experiences between Slovak and international wineries, as well as the development of social and business relationships. The competition aims to include primarily wines from Slovakia, but also from Poland, Hungary, France, Italy, Austria, and potentially other countries.

You are warmly invited to stay for the continuation of the event after the competition part. This will include a special program for priests, featuring the presentation of the winning sacramental wine samples, their blessing, and the ceremonial opening of the **Path of Gratitude** project in the vineyards. At the same time, the vision and offerings of the Christian-oriented events organized by the MEA GRATI winery will also be presented.

The event is under the patronage of:

Mons. Bernard Bober, Archbishop-Metropolitan of the Archdiocese of Košice
Archbishop Cyril Vasiľ SJ, Eparchial Bishop of the Slovak Catholic Eparchy of Košice

We would like to kindly ask for your support in promoting the competition — whether as an active participant or a supporter. Your involvement will greatly contribute to the successful running of the event and the fulfilment of its objectives. The application form for the competition is included below. We look forward to your participation!

With regards,

Ing. Mgr. Juraj Mičko, MSc.
Competition Director



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The application form

Please submit your application and permission for the production of sacramental wines no later than **24 April 2026**, either by email or post to the following address:

MEA GRATI, a.s.
Tomášikova 8, 040 01 Košice
vinárstvo: Tokajská ul. – Hatfa, Viničky
E-mail: sutaz.ivg@meagrati.sk

Applicant:

Name of winemaker or company name (winery)	
Address	
Representative	
ID Number	
Winemaker registration number	
Phone	
Email	

Wine Competition Samples - Please send 3 bottles of wine, each with a volume of 0.75 litres or 0.5 litres, as well as an additional 3 tasting samples of wine (optional), no later than **28 April 2026** to the address provided above. Alternatively, we can arrange for the wine samples to be collected by mutual agreement with Juraj Mičko. For more information, please call: +421 917 881 188.

Only sacramental wines will be included in the competition. Therefore, it is necessary to provide either a copy of the authorization for their production or a declaration from the winemaker and the company's statutory representative, confirming that the submitted wines are liturgical/sacramental wines produced in accordance with the granted authorization.

Place and date:

Signature

I submit the following wines into the IN VINO GRATITUDO 2026 SLOVACIAE competition:

No.	Wine Name / Variety <i>* In case of Cuveé specify the main variety</i>	Geographical indication (PGI, PDO, ...)	Attribute	Vintage	Competition category*	Alcohol vol. %	Residual sugar g/l**	Acidity g/l	Number of tasting samples
1.									
2.									
3.									
4.									
5.									
6.									
7.									
8.									
9.									

Competition sample = 3 bottles, free of charge (mandatory, for the competition part)
Tasting sample = 3 bottles, free of charge (optional, for the public exhibition after the competition)

* **Competition Categories:** *BSU – PSU – white dry wines and white semi-dry, BPSL – semi-sweet wines, RS – rosé dry wines, RPS – rosé semi-dry and semi-sweet wines, CS – red dry wines, CPS – red semi-dry and semi-sweet wines, S – natural sweet wines regardless of color, T – Tokaj wines, L – liqueur wines*

** **Residual sugar content of the competition sample in g/l:** *Dry: 0 - 4g/l, or up to 9 g/l if the total acidity expressed in grams of tartaric acid per liter is not more than 2 grams lower than the residual sugar content), Semi-dry (4 - 12 g/l, or up to 18 g/l if the total acidity expressed in grams of tartaric acid per liter is not more than 10 grams lower than the residual sugar content), Semi-sweet: 12 - 45 g/l, Sweet: above 45 g/l*