

JIU Professor Nobuhiro Shiba Receives Medal for Merit from Slovenia



JIU professor **Nobuhiro Shiba** (left) receives the Medal for Merits
from President of the Republic of Slovenia, **Borut Pahor**

On September 11, Josai International University professor and Josai Institute for Central European Studies deputy director **Nobuhiro Shiba** received the Medal for Merits, a state decoration, from the Republic of Slovenia in recognition of his long-term achievements in studying the history of the former Yugoslavia including Slovenian history.

Over the years, JIU has focused on Central Europe in research and exchange. Every year, JIU sends its students to Visegrad Group (V4) countries of Central Europe through the study abroad program while offering Hungarian, Polish and Czech courses on campus. At JIU, numerous V4 exchange students contribute to the campus atmosphere, facilitating mutual understanding among Japanese and European students through exchange and dialogue.