

Interpreting Europe Conference 2023

Brussels, 30 November - 1 December 2023

Virtual Conference

"ATTRACTING TALENT FOR AN UPSKILLED PROFESSION"

PROGRAMME

DAY 1 Thursday 30th November, afternoon

14.30 WELCOME

Masters of Ceremonies:

Katarina SKACANIOVA, Deputy Head of Strategy, Policy and Communication Unit, DG Interpretation

Daniel PASHLEY, Head of Swedish Interpreting Unit, DG Interpretation

14.45 OPENING ADDRESS (Video message)

Johannes HAHN, European Commissioner for Budget and Administration

15.00 SCENE SETTING - STATEMENT

Genoveva RUIZ-CALAVERA, Director General, DG Interpretation, European Commission

15.20 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER EU INTERPRETATION SERVICES

Agnieszka WALTER-DROP, Director General DG LINC, European Parliament

Marie MUTTILAINEN, Director of Interpretation, Court of Justice of the EU

- 15.30 YOUNG INTERPRETERS AWARD
- **15.45** (virtual) coffee break

16.00 First Panel: UNDERSTANDING THE TALENT SHORTAGE

Moderator: Elisabetta DEGIAMPIETRO, Head of Conference Services Unit, DG Interpretation **Presentations** (6-8 minutes each)

Overcoming our Perception Problem

John O'SHEA, Chairperson, FIT Europe

Upskilling SCIC for the Future

Margo SIJS, Head of Dutch Interpreting unit, DG Interpretation

Becoming and staying a conference interpreter. Perspectives from practitioners

Maya DE WIT, Sign language Interpreter consultant, trainer & researcher, AIIC

Curricular Redesign to Attract and Develop Talent

Julie JOHNSON, Chair, Translation & Interpretation, Middlebury Institute of International Studies

16.45 Open discussion

17.30 CLOSURE OF PROCEEDINGS

DAY 2 Friday 1st December

10.00 Second Panel: ATTRACTING TALENT

Moderator: Monika SCHORR, Deputy Head of German Interpreting Unit, DG Interpretation Presentations (6-8 minutes each)

Balancing Expectations and Realities: A University Perspective

Maren DINGFELDER STONE, Programme Coordinator for Conference Interpreting at the University of Mainz/Germersheim

How to reach a young audience in the member states

Eimear NI BHROIN, Information & Communication Officer, DGT, European Commission

Presentation of actions in the context of the EU inter-institutional Awareness-raising and Outreach Group (AWO)

Javier HERNANDEZ SASETA, Chair of the inter-institutional AWO Group

Tatjana ZAGAJSKI, Head of Croatian Interpreting Unit, DG Interpretation

Social media and how it is used by young people. Challenges and opportunities

Jérôme NAIF - Social Media Manager

11.00 Open discussion

12.00 (virtual) lunch break

14.00 Third panel: FINDING TALENT

Moderator: Anabela FRADE, Senior Expert, Succession Planning Unit, DG Interpretation

Presentations (6-8 minutes each)

Why I will not become a conference interpreter

Sofia SIROKA, Secondary school student and Vice-President of CoSup (Conseil Supérieur des Elèves, European School Ixelles)

Conference Interpreting: The promise of a passionate career

Ophélie DERANCY, Student ISIT Paris and winner of the Young Interpreters Award contest 2023

Why and how I became a SCIC interpreter

Rémi HOEFSLOOT, French Interpreting Unit, European Commission

14.40 ONLINE DISCUSSION WITH UNIVERSITIES AND STUDENTS

3 online discussion groups-TEAMS groups

- **15.25** (virtual) coffee break
- 15.55 PRESENTATION OF DISCUSSION RESULTS
- 16.10 Q&A OPEN DISCUSSION
- 16.40 Closing remarks
- 16.45 CLOSURE OF PROCEEDINGS