



# WFD-WASLI INTERNATIONAL SIGN INTERPRETER ACCREDITATION CALL FOR APPLICATION

**Deadline: 6 October 2017, EET 12:00**

World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) and World Association of Sign Language Interpreters (WASLI) are pleased to invite practitioners to apply for the WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Accreditation.

The Accreditation exists to meet the increasing demand of International Sign Interpretation in the international arena. It aims to fulfil the following:

- ❖ Set, maintain and promote standards in International Sign Interpretation
- ❖ Promote a quality-assurance system for credentialing practitioners
- ❖ Maintain a register of WFD-WASLI Accredited International Sign Interpreters

## REQUIREMENTS

### **ESSENTIAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

- ❖ Proficiency in International Sign
- ❖ Proficiency in English
- ❖ Proficiency in national sign language and national spoken and/or written language
- ❖ Five years of experience in interpreting for conferences at national level in the national sign and spoken languages
- ❖ Three years of experience in International Sign interpreting at international or regional events
- ❖ Ability to work in team environments

### **DESIRABLE SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

- ❖ Proficiency in another national sign language
- ❖ Proficiency in another spoken/written language

## PORTFOLIO OF DOCUMENTS

Applicants will be required to submit a portfolio of evidence that includes:

1. [Application Form](#).
2. Curriculum Vitae.
3. Letter of Interest (**written and in International Sign**)\*
4. One (1) soft copy of passport photo.
5. Copies of certificates of general educational qualifications (school certificates, college or university diplomas or degrees).
6. Copies of national interpreter qualifications (training, accreditation or recognition)\*\*. Complete the template in [Appendix A](#) to list the trainings you have attended.
7. Copy of certificate of attendance at IS interpreter training event. Complete the template in [Appendix A](#) to list the trainings you have attended or submit a 200-word justification (**written and in International Sign**)\* about why training has not been attended.
8. Two (2) x letters of recommendation from deaf consumers who have experience working with your IS interpreting.
9. Two (2) x letters of recommendation from IS interpreters who have been employed by either WASLI or the WFD.
10. A letter of recommendation from national deaf or interpreting agents (i.e. associations, representative bodies, private companies).
11. 300-word statement reflecting on your strengths and weakness in IS interpreting (**written and in International Sign**).
12. Logbook of contracted IS interpreting bookings. 900 hours for hearing practitioners and 450 hours for deaf practitioners. Complete the template in [Appendix B](#) to list your bookings.
13. One (1) video sample for Interpretation Task 1 (English to International Sign) – for both hearing and deaf practitioners\*\*\*
14. One (1) video sample for Interpretation Task 2 (International Sign to English) – for hearing practitioners only\*\*\*

\*Provide video URL link (i.e. vimeo, YouTube, or any other video-sharing website) for documents that require International Sign.

\*\*We acknowledge that opportunities vary from country to county. As such, applicants who are unable to submit this document will be considered on a case by case basis.

### \*\*\*VIDEO SAMPLES THROUGH CANVAS

All applicants must provide video samples for the Interpretation Tasks (refer to Appendix C). We use CANVAS to facilitate the Interpretation Tasks. Through CANVAS, you are able to view the instructions of the respective tasks as well as upload your responses. To get started, refer to the following steps:

STEP 1	STEP 2
Email to <a href="mailto:accreditation@wfd.fi">accreditation@wfd.fi</a> by <b>Wednesday 6 September 2017</b> with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Your email address</li> <li>❖ Your preferred time slot **** for the Interpretation Task(s).</li> </ul>	We will add your email address to CANVAS and send an invitation with a join code. Once you have received it, you are able to create a CANVAS Student account. More information on how to do so can be found <a href="#">here</a> . If CANVAS is new to you, you are advised to spend some time to familiarise with the environment.

### \*\*\*TIME SLOT FOR INTERPRETATION TASKS

	INTERPRETATION TASK 1			INTERPRETATION TASK 2		
<b>Task Type</b>	English → International Sign			International Sign → English		
<b>Description</b>	Refer to Appendix C			Refer to Appendix C		
<b>Eligibility</b>	Deaf and Hearing Applicants			Hearing Applicants only		
<b>Link to instructions Available in CANVAS</b>	<b>SLOT 1</b>	<b>SLOT 2</b>	<b>SLOT 3</b>	<b>SLOT 4</b>	<b>SLOT 5</b>	<b>SLOT 6</b>
	11 September 2017 EET 12:00	18 September 2017 EET 12:00	25 September 2017 EET 12:00	18 September 2017 EET 22:00	25 September 2017 EET 10:00	2 October 2017 EET 22:00
<b>Deadline</b>	15 September 2017 EET 12:00	22 September 2017 EET 12:00	30 September 2017 EET 12:00	18 September 2017 EET 23:30	25 September 2017 EET 11:30	2 October 2017 EET 23:30
	Within 5 days			Within 90 minutes		

### PROCESSING FEE

<b>Reduced Fee</b> (Applicants from developing countries):	<b>€150</b>
<b>Regular Fee</b> (Applicants from non-developing countries):	<b>€550</b>
<b>Please send the processing fee via Bank Transfer:</b>	
Account Name:	World Federation of the Deaf
Bank Name/Address:	Nordea Bank Finland Plc., Aleksanterinkatu 36, FI-00100 Helsinki
International Bank Account Number (IBAN):	FI04 1555 3000 1113 37
SWIFT/BIC Code:	NDEAFIHH

*All processing fees are non-refundable. Refer to WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Accreditation Approved List of Developing Countries.*

### RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

- ❖ [Application Form](#)
- ❖ [Appendix A: List of Interpreter Training](#)
- ❖ [Appendix B: Logbook of Contracted International Sign Interpreting Bookings](#)
- ❖ [Appendix C: Video Samples - Interpretation Tasks](#)
- ❖ [WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Handbook](#)
- ❖ [WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Approved List of Developing Countries](#)

### DEADLINE

Submit your application (forms, portfolio of documents, payments and video samples) by **6 October 2017 EET 12:00**. Only complete applications are considered.

### CONTACT DETAILS

Send your enquiries and applications to [accreditation@wfd.fi](mailto:accreditation@wfd.fi)