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# SAVE THE DATES CALL FOR APPLICATION WFD-WASLI INTERNATIONAL SIGN INTERPRETER ACCREDITATION 1 SEPTEMBER TO 6 OCTOBER 2017

World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) and World Association of Sign Language Interpreters (WASLI) are pleased to invite practitioners to save the dates for the application of the WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Accreditation ('Accreditation') that will run from **1 September to 6 October 2017**.

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

*\*We acknowledged that opportunities vary from country to country. Applications who are unable to submit this document will be considered on a case by case basis.*

*\*\*Instructions for submission of video sample(s) can be found in the Application Form available on 1 September 2017.*

## PROCESSING FEE

**Reduced Fee** (Applicants from developing countries): €150\*

**Regular Fee** (Applicants from non-developing countries): €550

\*Refer to [WFD-WASLI International Sign Interpreter Accreditation Approved List of Developing Countries](#).

## DEADLINE AND CONTACT

The application deadline is on 6 October 2017. Information about the accreditation can be found [here](#). For further enquiries, email [accreditation@wfd.fi](mailto:accreditation@wfd.fi).