



WFD-WASLI INTERNATIONAL SIGN INTERPRETER ACCREDITATION

CALL FOR APPLICATION

Deadline: 8 October 2018, Eastern European Time (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 English and in International Sign**)*
4. One (1) soft copy of passport-sized 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 B](#) to list the trainings you have attended or submit a 200-word justification (**written English 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 English and in International Sign**)*. Complete the template in [Appendix C](#).
12. Logbook of contracted IS interpreting bookings. 150 days for hearing practitioners and 75 days for deaf practitioners** (where a day is 3 or more hours of continuous interpreting). Complete the template in [Appendix D](#) 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. 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
<p>Email to accreditation@wfd.fi the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Your email address ❖ Your preferred time slot for the Interpretation Task(s). <p>You need to set-up an account with CANVAS at least one week prior to your first chosen time slot of your interpretation task.</p>	<p>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 here. If CANVAS is new to you, you are advised to spend some time to familiarise with the environment.</p>

TIME SLOTS FOR INTERPRETATION TASKS

	INTERPRETATION TASK 1			INTERPRETATION TASK 2		
Task Type	English → International Sign			International Sign → English		
Description	You will interpret a 5 mins 55 secs English speech via a video presentation and/or transcript to International Sign. The presenter is a native English speaker and has been invited to review current issues affecting developing countries around the world. Audience: Several signing delegates from South America, Africa and the Asia Pacific continents/regions are attending a high level United Nations meeting. Your interpretation should provide access via International Sign for all the signing delegates (do not assume the delegates know American Sign Language)			You will interpret a 3 min 17 secs International Sign presentation into spoken English. A deaf delegate shares his experience in an interview with a deaf host about his recent participation at the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) session to a colleague(s) with International Non-governmental experience.		
Eligibility	Deaf and Hearing Applicants			Hearing Applicants only		
Link to instructions Available in CANVAS	SLOT 1	SLOT 2	SLOT 3	SLOT 4	SLOT 5	SLOT 6
	17 September 2018 EET 12:00	24 September 2018 EET 12:00	1 October 2018 EET 12:00	22 September 2018 EET 22:00	29 September 2018 EET 10:00	6 October 2018 EET 22:00
Deadline	21 September 2018 EET 12:00	28 September 2018 EET 12:00	5 October 2018 EET 12:00	22 September 2018 EET 23:30	29 September 2018 EET 11:30	6 October 2018 EET 23:30
	Within 5 days			Within 90 minutes		

PROCESSING FEE

Reduced Fee (Applicants from developing countries):	€150
Regular Fee (Applicants from non-developing countries):	€550
Please send the processing fee via Bank Transfer:	
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: Template for List of Interpreter Trainings](#)
- ❖ [Appendix B: Template for List of International Sign Interpreter Trainings](#)
- ❖ [Appendix C: Template for 300-word statement on Strengths and Weakness in International Sign Interpreting](#)
- ❖ [Appendix D: Logbook of Contracted International Sign Interpreting Bookings](#)

- ❖ [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 **8 October 2018 EET 12:00**. Only completed applications are considered.

CONTACT DETAILS

Send your enquiries and applications to accreditation@wfd.fj