PRESS RELEASE

50th ANNIVERSARY LEGACY PROJECT

In September 2024, the Association of Police and Court Interpreters (APCI), a professional body which represents the interests of Public Service Interpreters in the UK, celebrates fifty years since its foundation.

As part of its 50th Anniversary Legacy Project, APCI plans to sponsor the training of a cohort of public service interpreters who will have completed their studies and be ready to practise in our anniversary year.

The Directors are keenly aware of the humanitarian crisis which is currently unfolding in Ukraine and consider that at the present time our support can most effectively be directed towards assisting colleagues arriving from that country. The Project will therefore be open to Ukrainian nationals who have recently arrived in England and Wales under any of the UK government’s refugee programmes.

Our chosen project partner is DPSI Online, a very experienced training provider and accredited online examination centre.

The support we can provide includes assistance with tuition and examination fees on a course leading to the Diploma in Public Service Interpreting (Law option), together with APCI Student Membership and one year’s National Register of Public Service Interpreters (NRPSI) registration fee. In addition, students will benefit from access to our Continuing Professional Development programme and peer support throughout their course.

Our intention is to prepare candidates to work in the public service, and specifically in a legal context, i.e. working for courts, tribunals, police and other law enforcement bodies. Candidates should have native or near-native command of both Ukrainian and English, together with some previous experience of interpreting.

Applications are now open and will remain open until 31 July 2022. Further information about the Project and details of the application process may be obtained by sending an e-mail to secretary@apciinterpreters.org.uk or by writing to our office address.

Ends

13 April 2022

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