# National Register of Public Service Interpreters

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#### Q Countdown to London Language Show 13-15 October 2017

There are only a few weeks to go until the **Language Show** in London. As mentioned in our August Registrants' Newsletter, while entry to the Language Show remains free, the **certified CPD programme** featuring more than 45 different speakers across the three-day event will this year carry a charge (tickets start from £10 for a whole day). However, as an exhibitor, NRPSI is able to pass on to Registrants a 10% discount on tickets for



the seminar programme and any language classes. Click here to register now for your discounted ticket/s and don't miss the opportunity to join Practitioner Board Director Eulalia Pessoa-White for her talk on Saturday morning on 'What it takes to be a Public Service Interpreter'. Please do also visit the NRPSI team at stand 46 in the exhibition hall.

# Q National Occupational Standards review reaches final stages

Following the last round of consultation, Instructus has completed the final revisions to the draft **National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Interpreting**. These have now been submitted to the NOS panel for internal review and to make sure that the standards for interpreting are presented in a consistent way compared to the standards for other occupations.

# All-Party Parliamentary Group on Modern Languages

Following the General Election, the **All-Party Parliamentary Group** (**APPG**) on **Modern Languages** has reconvened and elected two new Vice Chairs: Lord Dykes and Tonia Antoniazzi MP. The Chair of the APPG is Nia Griffith MP and the Co-Chair is Baroness Coussins (pictured). **Visit the APPG website** to keep up to date with the group's activities.



# Q University of Surrey qualification accepted for registration

After extensive liaison with the **University of Surrey's School of English and Languages**, and the subsequent changes made to the curriculum of its **new MA in Interpreting**, NRPSI accepts this qualification now meets the National Register's entry criteria relating to education. We look forward to welcoming future graduates as Registrants.



# NRPSI news

#### Q Free sample chapter and discounts on Routledge titles

NRPSI Registrants can **obtain a free sample chapter** from Jonathan Downie's 'Introduction to Interpreting' by signing up to Routledge's email list. Remember that Registrants also benefit from a 20% discount on relevant Routledge titles. **Visit the special webpage** to claim your discount.



# Sending renewal information electronically

Once you are on the National Register, you can supply a scanned copy of your completed **Annual Registration Renewal form** along with your evidence of interpreting hours worked, updated electronic photograph and proof of CPD activities undertaken (for Rare Languages) by email to **admin@nrpsi.org.uk**. This is much quicker and cheaper than posting your renewal documents. However, you will still need to send us by post the original certificate for any new qualification that you wish to add to an existing registered language record. You will also need to send by post the original version of any updated or newly acquired additional DBS certificates.

#### Maximising your online record

Many users of language services are becoming more discerning about the language professionals they engage. Put simply, they like to learn more about their prospective interpreters. You can use **your personal NRPSI record** to help with this. If you log in to your Interpreter's Room and choose the 'Show more' option, your online record will display the qualifications, CPD activities and professional memberships we hold for you.

In addition, you also have the option to add further information to the 'About you' section. This could include your interpreting experience, specialist skills and any awards or testimonials you have received. Please ensure that any information you provide is factually accurate. Note, you can only make text changes to your record. You cannot upload files, images, etc., or change the formatting. If you require any assistance, please email the text you wish to add to you record to admin@nrpsi.org.uk. Also, don't forget to include your unique URL in your communications with your clients.

I hope you find this issue an informative and enjoyable read. If you have a suggestion for inclusion in the newsletter, email **admin@nrpsi.org.uk**.

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