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Q Professional indemnity insurance via Towergate Insurance

Further to the item in the April Registrants' Newsletter, you can now **view full details** of Towergate Insurance's **professional indemnity insurance** offer in the News section of the NRPSI website.

NRPSI Registrant doubly commended by police

Congratulations to Registrant Mr Zakir Hossain on receiving two **commendation awards from the Metropolitan Police Service** for 'language services leading to the apprehension of dangerous offenders'. Mr Hossain received the first award in November 2018 and the second in February 2019.



[Pictured: Mr Hossain being presented with one of his awards by Assistant Commissioner Martin Hewitt QPM.]

NRPSI news



New Executive Director at NRPSI

Further to the email sent to all Registrants on 13 May 2019, we are pleased to welcome Mike Orlov as **NRPSI's new Executive Director**. In addition to having responsibility for all operational aspects of the organisation, Mike will work with the NRPSI Board to deliver NRPSI's strategy to maintain and develop professional interpreting standards. With a background in media and publishing, Mike has extensive experience of working

at board-level and a proven track record of directing and implementing complex projects in challenging environments. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Leadership and Management (FInstLM), an experienced communicator, speaker and published business writer. **Read the press release** for further information.

New practitioner members of NRPSI disciplinary committees appointed We have now appointed three Registrants to our **Professional Conduct and**

Disciplinary Committees. These new Practitioner members of our committees will benefit from our in-house induction into the NRPSI complaints process, followed by a period of shadowing, before considering specific complaints. We are currently finalising the recruitment of Lay members to join our disciplinary committees.

CPD event on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking for interpreters, 3 June 2019

The speakers for this **CPD event in London**, which has been jointly organised by APCI and NRPSI, are now confirmed. The morning's programme is devoted to Modern Slavery Coordinator Robyn Phillips, who will offer definitions of human trafficking and modern slavery. She will also review relevant legislation in the context of interpreting best practice. This CPD event will feature presentations from both Executive and



Non-Executive Directors of the NRPSI Board to mark the 25th anniversary of the founding of NRPSI as well. Please note, places at this event are strictly limited. You are advised to **book early**.

Presentations to prospective Registrants

In line with NRPSI's strategic aim to encourage new entrants to the public service interpreting community, the NRPSI team has delivered **presentations about the profession** and the benefits of joining the National Register to language students across the country over the last six months. We have visited academic institutes in Scotland, Northern Ireland, North and Central England, and London. This programme of events culminated in a well-attended Cardiff University event on 15 May.

Increasing early renewals

Further to the notice in the February Registrants' Newsletter, the Registration Team now issues **renewal documents** two months before the annual registration period ends. This has proved very effective in reducing the number of registrations lapsing while renewals are processed. Please renew your registration as quickly as possible after receiving your renewal pack.

This being my last newsletter, I would like to take this chance to thank NRPSI Registrants and colleagues. My time at NRPSI has always been stimulating and I will follow future developments with interest. Please email any suggestions for future issues of the newsletter to admin@nrpsi.org.uk.

Stephen Bishop, Executive Director, NRPSI