

From: admin@nrpsi.org.uk
To: stephen@nrpsi.org.uk
Subject: NRPSI Website Users update #8
Date: 16 February 2016 08:04:23

Thank you for signing up to access the NRPSI Register of accredited interpreters (there are over 1,500 public service organisations registered to use the National Register). When contacting interpreters from our website, please mention that you obtained their details from the [National Register](#).

New minimum standard of vetting for police interpreters

The National Police Vetting Working Group, led by Chief Constable Martin Jelly of Warwickshire Police, has decided that henceforward all interpreters working for the police should be vetted to NPPV3 (Non-Police Personnel Vetting level 3) as a minimum. This new policy has been endorsed by the language services lead, Chief Constable Simon Cole of Leicestershire Constabulary. Interpreters who are currently vetted to NPPV2 will be able to continue working for the police, but at clearance expiry the relevant vetting department will need to clear the interpreter to NPPV3 level.

NRPSI is investigating how we can help with this change, and whether more information on police clearances needs to be provided on the Registrants' public record.

DBS Update Service

More of our Registrants are subscribing to the DBS Update service, which means that they can give their permission to clients to carry out an instant check for changes against their last DBS Certificate. NRPSI is now recording on their public record when Registrants have informed us that they have subscribed to the Update Service. We have also produced a specific [set of FAQs](#) on the subject and we are encouraging Registrants to consider subscribing.

We would like to hear from clients of interpreter services on how useful you have found the DBS Update Service in implementing your organisation's security clearance policy – please email feedback@nrpsi.org.uk.

Ministry of Justice (MoJ) Language Services Contract

The current contract between the Ministry of Justice and Capita TI for the provision of Language Services comes to an end on 31 October 2016. For the second generation contracts, the MoJ has taken a fundamentally different approach, splitting the provision of language services into three separate contracts (spoken language interpreting, translation, and non-spoken interpreting) and adding a fourth contract for Quality Assurance of the language professionals.

NRPSI, in partnership with the FTSE 250 company Interserve, was successful with our submission for the Quality Assurance 'lot' in the first phase of the procurement, and we are currently working on the formal bid for the tender, which must be submitted to the MoJ by the end of February.

The MoJ expect to announce the preferred suppliers for the four lots in March 2016. We have provided more information on the procurement process and NRPSI's engagement with it in a specific [set of FAQs](#) in the News section of our

website.

Gangmasters Licensing Authority (GLA)

The GLA are holding their [National Conference](#) on 8th March 2016 in Derby which is open to anyone to attend, in particular GLA licence holders and applicants, as well as labour users, retailers, trade unions, other law enforcement agencies plus anyone else who works within or in partnership with the GLA's regulated sector.

There is the opportunity to network with some of the major players in the GLA-regulated sector, hear from the UK Anti-Slavery Commissioner and the Head of the Home Office Modern Slavery Unit on how labour exploitation should be tackled. There are also talks from a convicted human trafficker, the GLA Chief Executive Paul Broadbent, Chair Margaret Beels and other GLA board members.

NRPSI Board Director Silvina Katz will be attending the conference and is looking to network with any organisations that use interpreters as part of dealing with human slavery, trafficking etc. You can contact Silvina ahead of the conference on board@nrpsi.org.uk.

Second Edition of the NRPSI Annual Review of Public Service Interpreting

We published the new edition of the [NRPSI Annual Review of Public Service Interpreting in the UK](#) in September last year. The latest edition of the definitive description of the public service interpreting profession includes new analyses of security clearances and age demographics of the Registered Interpreters.

Recognising that there is a lot of information to absorb, we are publishing a series of brief thought pieces on selected aspects. The first '[Annual Review Focus](#)' highlights the qualifications held by Registrants, and why having a 'level 6' qualification is important.

Remember to follow the NRPSI [Company page](#) on LinkedIn for the latest developments in professional interpreting and at NRPSI.

With kind regards,

Stephen Bishop
Executive Director

National Register of Public Service Interpreters
www.nrpsi.org.uk
a not-for-profit organisation

This communication has been sent to you as a registered Website User by NRPSI. If you no longer wish to receive information from NRPSI you can go to 'My Account' and uncheck the 'send me information' button at any stage. Alternatively you can send an email from your registered email address to admin@nrpsi.org.uk with the subject line Unsubscribe. If you have a colleague who you think would benefit from receiving information from NRPSI, please encourage them to click on the 'Subscribe' button that appears on every page of the www.nrpsi.org.uk website.