



Dear Sir/Madam,

The Centre for Translation and Interpreting Studies in Scotland (CTISS) at Heriot-Watt University is part of the CO-Minor-IN/QUEST research project which is investigating interviews with minors in criminal justice contexts conducted through interpreters.

One part of this project is a survey which will assist the project partners in capturing current practice in interpreter-mediated investigative interviews. Therefore, we would like to invite you to provide information and share your perception of present practice. Your perspective, along with the opinion of other professionals involved, will help us to better understand the dynamics of this interview situation and provide recommendations regarding best practice for interpreter-mediated child interviews. We would therefore greatly appreciate if you would take a few minutes to complete the survey questionnaire. Simply click on the link below to participate in the survey:

[http://lessius.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_29ICwudTITYTFaJ](http://lessius.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_29ICwudTITYTFaJ)

We would be grateful if you could send your reply by 10<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

Your answers will be kept completely confidential. Your IP address will not be registered when you respond to the online questionnaire. Only the researchers will be able to access the individual responses and the survey will be exclusively used for research purposes.

We would be very grateful if you could forward this email to other professionals involved in interpreter-mediated child interviewing who may also be interested in participating in this study. We apologise for potential cross postings.

Some further background: this project is funded by the European Commission, DG Justice, Criminal Justice Support Programme. It brings together partner universities and organisations from the Netherlands (Ministry of Justice), Raad for Rechtsbijstand (Legal Aid Board, Belgium), Eszter (support organisation for victims of sexual crime, Hungary) and ISIT University (Paris), University of Bologna, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, UK. The project is coordinated by the University of Leuven, in Antwerp, Belgium. Findings from this survey will be made available via the project website (<http://www.arts.kuleuven.be/home/tolkwetenschap/co-minor-in-quest>).

If you have any queries about this study or wish further information please contact the UK project partners:

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**Thank you for your participation.**