



Centre for Translation & Interpreting Studies in Scotland Celebration of International Translation Day Roundtable discussion

Thursday 30th September 2021, 5:30-7:30 pm (UK time)

The Centre for Translation & Interpreting Studies in Scotland at Heriot-Watt University invites you to celebrate *International Translation Day* with us by joining our Roundtable discussion with the following distinguished guests:

Dr. Khetam AlSharou, Researcher Imperial College London and Heriot-Watt University alumnus
Dr. Claudio Bendazzoli, Assistant Professor, University of Turin, Italy
Dr. Elena Davitti, Centre for Translation Studies, University of Surrey
Prof. Dr. Felix Mayer, Internationale Hochschule SDI München, Germany
Kate Trotman MCIOL, DipTrans, Project Manager, Morningside Translations Ltd – Questel.

Translators and interpreters have embraced tools to enhance their work. As technological developments become more sophisticated (e.g., the increased integration of Automatic Translation, Machine Translation, Speech Recognition and Speech to Text conversion), they inevitably reshape the translation and interpreting professions. Consequently, we ponder with various questions such as: Are current developments in artificial intelligence complementing or competing with the role performed by translators, interpreters, language brokers/mediators? How are these developments perceived by individuals and by agencies/organizations? Differently? Similarly? These questions deserve consideration.

Translators and interpreters are sensing shifts in their workload and roles. Changes in the translation and interpreting landscape makes many professionals wonder about the future of the field and envisage new roles to adapt. Often retraining is sought to gain new skills to adapt to the requirements of the shifting marketplace.

To celebrate the International Translation (and Interpreting) Day, we will reflect on these shifts. Our guests are invited to share personal experiences on the impact of technological developments in their careers as language providers, educators, trainers and researchers.

BSL, Chinese, French and Spanish interpreting available

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