

# fit flash

## Executive Committee meeting 2007 held

November 2007

The FIT Executive Committee (EC) met at the FIT Secretariat in Montreal, Canada on 26–28 October 2007.

**Contract signed:** OTTIAQ has graciously extended the contract to host the FIT Secretariat until 1 March 2009. FIT is grateful to OTTIAQ for its support.

**New memberships:** ATIPCO (Association des traducteurs et interprètes professionnels du Congo) has applied for membership of FIT and a has been received from the Ukrainian Translators Association.

In preparation for the next Statutory Congress, a **strategic planning process** was launched and the **FIT statutes** are being reviewed. FIT member bodies are invited to participate. The Suggestions for amendments to the FIT statutes may be sent by e-mail: [secretariat@fit-ift.org](mailto:secretariat@fit-ift.org) with **FIT Bylaws** in the subject header.

**Suggestions** are also requested for Model Bylaws to be use in creating a new translators' and interpreters' association. Please send your suggestions by e-mail to [secretariat@fit.ift.org](mailto:secretariat@fit.ift.org) with **Model Bylaws** in the subject line.

**FIT-UNESCO liaison.** The EC proposes that Council name a person to deal specifically with UNESCO matters and that FIT be represented at the biennial General Conference and on relevant committees, subject to the availability of volunteers.

**Success for the FIT ID card:** Nearly 500 cards have been sold and new orders continue to arrive. The initial outlay of funds has been recovered and the first batch of cards issued is due for renewal in 2008.

**International Translation Day 2008:** The topic is terminology and this year's theme is *Terminology: Words Matter – Terminologie: des mots qui parlent*. A press release will be circulated and posted at [www.fit-ift.org/en/download.php](http://www.fit-ift.org/en/download.php)

## FIT events held

**FIT Lit and the Frankfurt Book Fair:** Read more about the series of events organized by the FIT Literary Translation Committee at <http://fitlitter.blogspot.com/>

**FIT Regional Centre Europe and ASETRAD** (Asociación Española de Traductores, Correctores e Intérpretes) organized a seminar on copyright and translation tools in Barcelona on 13 October 2007; see <http://www.fit-europe.org/>

## FIT visibility

FIT was or will be represented at the following meetings and conferences:

- *Current and Future Linguistic Needs of Graduates on the European and International Labour Markets*, Brussels, Belgium, 27 September 2007; see [http://www.tnp3-d.org/conferences/european\\_conference](http://www.tnp3-d.org/conferences/european_conference)
- UNESCO NGO (non-governmental organization) biennial event and General Assembly, Paris, France, 27–28 September and 16 October–4 November 2007
- *Spotlight on Access to Copyright Works*, Annual General Meeting of the International Federation of Reproduction Rights Organisations (IFRRO), Dublin, Ireland, 18 October 2007
- *The Translator's Profession*, International Conference and 50th Anniversary of l'École Supérieure d'Interprètes et de Traducteurs, Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris III (ESIT), Paris, France, 9–10 November 2007

## Upcoming FIT events

**CRAL–Regional Centre Latin America** and **OMT** (Organización Mexicana de Traductores Capítulo Occidente) will host the 11<sup>th</sup> International Translation and Interpreting Congress, Guadalajara, Mexico, 24–26 November 2007; see <http://www.omt.org.mx/general.htm>

**FIT Committee for Court Interpreting and Legal Translation** and the **University of Tampere** are arranging the Committee's Ninth International Forum in Tampere, Finland on 29 May–1 June 2008; see <http://vi01n247.members.eunet.at/tampere/>

**FIT World Congress 2008:** The **Statutory Congress venue** is changed to the **Shanghai Lansheng Hotel**, <http://www.lanshenghotel.com/english/>. The Second Announcement is posted at [www.fit2008.org](http://www.fit2008.org). The dates are: Statutory Congress, 2–3 August, 2008; Open Congress, 4–7 August, 2008. Registration opens November 2007.

## Next FIT meeting

The FIT Executive Committee will attend the CIUTI Forum and will meet in Geneva, Switzerland in late January 2008.

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