International Translation Day
30 September 2019

HIGHLIGHTS
In its resolution 71/288 of 24 May 2017, the UN General Assembly declared 30 September as International Translation Day.

MORE INFO
To learn more about International Translation Day, visit: http://bit.ly/IntlTranslationDay (available in six languages)

To learn more about language professionals at the United Nations, visit: http://bit.ly/UNLanguageCareers (available in six languages)

ECA
30 September
10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
International Translation Day Celebrations
Guided tour of the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC), remarks by senior officials, documentaries on the work of the translators and interpreters, presentations, exhibition and cultural performance, followed by a reception. Presented by the UN Economic Commission for Africa, the International Organization of La Francophonie and the Group of Francophone Ambassadors in Addis Ababa.
Venue: Banquet Hall, UN Conference Centre.
Access: Open to all ECA grounds pass holders. External guests may register at abdijdama@un.org and zounmenou@un.org.

ESCWA
30 September
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
The Power of Languages
Official launch of the 15th St. Jerome Translation Contest, sponsored by ESCWA Conference Services Section. Test your translation skills by participating in the contest in any of the official languages of the UN or German. The launching ceremony will feature an overview of the translation profession and a presentation of the contest.
Venue: MZ meeting room, UN House
Access: Launching ceremony open to all ESCWA grounds pass holders. Contest open to all current and former UN staff members & interns, staff from Permanent Missions to the UN and students from partner universities.

UNHQ
2 October
5 p.m.
International Translation Day Staff Party
Presented by the staff of the Documentation Division of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.
Access: By invitation only.

UNOG
30 September
1.30 - 2.30 p.m.
UN Geneva Multilingualism Ceremony
Remarks by UNOG Director-General and UNOG Chief of Language Services, presentations by teachers from the UNOG Center for Learning and Multilingualism, handing-out by the Director-General of certificates of recognition to the most notable commitments, followed by light reception with refreshments.
Access: Open to all UNOG grounds pass holders.
UN Language Café

Discussion round tables in the UN official languages with language professionals in attendance, and an interpretation booth available for demonstration, documentary screening and information desks.

Venue: VIP Lounge, Gigiri complex, Central Area.
Access: Open to all UNON grounds pass holders.

Celebration of International Translation Day

Slide shows in English and in French about translation, interpretation and the St. Jerome Translation Contest. Language professionals representing various languages will interact with the guests, answer questions and encourage them to participate in the contest. Organized by UNOV Conference Management Service, in collaboration with the IAEA Division of Conference and Document Services.

Venue: Rotunda, Building C, Vienna International Centre.
Access: Open to all VIC grounds pass holders.

Mission-Wide Celebrations

Presentation of the challenges faced by translators and interpreters and the impact of the use of machine-translation tools, quiz with a focus on idioms in different languages and interactive game on translation-related matters. Presented by UNTSO Translation/Interpretation Team and UNSCO Public Information Office.

Venue: UNTSO headquarters in Jerusalem and through VTC for outstations in Naqoura, Beirut, Tiberias, Damascus, Ramallah and Gaza.
Access: Open to all UNTSO-UNSCO staff members.