



The International Forum for Translators and Interpreters “Lenguas 2019” offers continuous educational workshops for interpreters and translators. With your help, we will be able to sponsor interpreters and translators who work with indigenous languages.



What is the campaign about?

There are 364 language variants within the 68 indigenous official languages in Mexico. In order to have access to healthcare and justice services, many of the 7 million indigenous speakers need the support of interpreters and translators, who also contribute to preserving and promoting indigenous people’s art, literature and history amongst people who do not speak these indigenous languages. However, professionalization opportunities and continuous education for these cultural mediators are extremely limited.

The International Forum “Lenguas 2019” will bring together professional interpreters and translators of foreign languages and national indigenous languages, and will offer them a broad range of sessions, round tables and workshops. Lenguas 2019 takes place on January 24th, 25th and 26th in Mexico City. It is chock-full of plenary sessions where the industry’s current situation will be discussed, educational workshops and networking events, amounting to 108 hours worth of activities.

The Mexican Interpretation and Translation Survey, sponsored by the Italia Morayta Foundation in 2017, found that interpreters and translators who work with foreign languages earn more than those who work with indigenous languages. This is why, within the International Year of the Indigenous Language framework, we call upon interpretation and translation agencies, colleagues and the general public who, aware of the justice and healthcare issues for indigenous peoples and communities, can support those who work in

this field so that they can have the same access to training and professionalization as other colleagues and ultimately, to offer a higher quality service.

What will we use the money for?

The aim of this campaign is to raise funds that will allow interpreters and translators working with indigenous languages to be part of this unique opportunity and participate fully in Lenguas 2019. The Italia Morayta Foundation will cover all registration costs and will provide access to all plenary sessions as well as training side events. Each participant will be able to receive a full scholarship amounting to 9 sessions (20:15 hours). The money raised will only and exclusively be used to cover scholarships.

All participants will receive a participation certificate that has curricular value.

About us:

The Italia Morayta Foundation is a non-profit organization founded in 2015 to encourage the development of the interpretation and translation fields. It is through strategic alliances with associations and national and international educational institutions, amongst them

InterpretAmerica, the Association of Interpreters and Translators in Public and Community Services, and the Italia Morayta Foundation collaborate to offer educational activities all year round.

How and when will we thank our donors?

During the first day of the Forum, before all plenary sessions, we will display all of our donors' full names to the participants. We will give a special mention to them as well as exhibiting posters at the venue of anyone sponsoring over 5 scholarships.

Campaign challenges:

We aim to raise enough funds to cover 20% of all our side events through the scholarships. This means there are 765 available seats in all the sessions together, and 150 seats will be destined to indigenous language interpreters and translators.

Where?

Go to: <https://donadora.mx/campanas/lenguas-2019>