

Memorandum of the Translation Committee meeting

on February 28, 2014

Participants of the meeting:

Arevik Ashkharoyan, Local Project Manager of Book Platform Project

Zaven Boyajyan, Translations Committee Member

Armen Ohanyan, Translations Committee Member

The Translation Committee had the first meeting to discuss the application of Events Participation and Networking program.

Applications from the following application were discussed:

Arevik Ashkharoyan, Agent at 1st Armenian Literary Agency – travel to Straelen, Germany for a training for German-Armenian and Armenian-German translators organized by Goethe Institute at the European Center for Literary Translators.

Mihran Barseghyan, Director of Andranik Publishing House – travel to Bologna Book Fair to meet publishers and discuss opportunities of representation in Armenia and purchase of translation rights for children’s books.

Khachik Grigoryan, Director of Ankyunakar Publishing House – travel to London Book Fair to meet publishers and specialist of copyright to discuss cooperation opportunities.

Nairi Hakhverdi, Translator and Agent of 1st Armenian Literary Agency – travel to London Book Fair to participate at the events at the Translations Center, meet the vice president of Center of Literary Translators of UK and publishers to represent Armenian titles.

The applications were discussed and the evaluation form distributed for the members to fill out.

As a result of the discussion, one of the members voted for all the applications, and the other one put one negative opinion for one of the applications.

Another member of the committee – Barbara Wattendorf, located in Tbilisi, had discussed the application with BP manager Yana Genova previously and had given her recommendations via e-mail communication.

As a result of the selection, all applicants were approved for funding, with some reduction of budgets offered by them.

Other questions discussed:

The committee members also received copies of the Study on Readership in Armenia and were presented the www.bookplatform.org website to get acquainted with the other studies and materials concerning other activities of the project.