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Dear ISA Workshop Grants Committee Members:

The following is a post-conference report for the workshop entitled, “Interlingual Relations: Approaches, Conflicts, and Lessons in the Translation of Global Politics”, held at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association in Toronto, Canada, on Tuesday, March 26, 2019. The conveners for this workshop were Dr. Mauro J. Caraccioli from Virginia Tech and Dr. Einar Wigen from the University of Oslo. In order, this report addresses workshop expenses, a summary of activities, and future outcomes.

1) A Detailed Accounting of Budget Expenses

In addition to costs associated with the workshop room and two coffee breaks ($393.66), our workshop incurred the following: Wi-Fi for fourteen participants ($390); two nights of hotel accommodations for seven internationally-based participants ($2,490.49); two per diems of $75.00 for seven internationally-based participants ($1050); one night of hotel accommodations for five U.S.-based participants ($913.63), with a sixth U.S. participant not requesting the accommodation stipend; and one per diem of $75.00 for six U.S.-based participants ($450.00), for a total reported expense of $5,687.78 out of an awarded $5,766.18 budget. At all points in the process we were contacted by ISA representatives with clear instructions concerning protocol and set-up for the workshop.

2) A Description of How the Workshop Went

Our workshop was convened at 9:00am with introductions and co-convener impressions on the goals for the day. For this workshop we counted on the participation of 11 colleagues from institutions across the United States, as well as Norway, Germany, the United Kingdom, Sweden, the Netherlands, Hungary, and Turkey, respectively. Colleagues’ professional standing ranged from recently-finished doctoral students, to faculty members ranked at the junior, mid-career, and full professor levels. As part of an international collaborative project, the workshop established how the subject of interlingual relations examines translation’s links to a multiplicity of methods, sites, and contexts. Our aim for the workshop was the development of an edited volume, which would provide the first structured discussion of interlingualism’s political significance for the study of International Relations. Contributions were organized according to substantive areas of intervention (i.e., theories, practices, new directions), with three short rounds of presentations followed by longer rounds of debate and discussion. The workshop concluded with a longer discussion on potential publication venues and future collaborations. Our day together also included two common meals allowing participants to socialize and further develop the direction our research should go.
3) Plans for Future Publications

We see the future outcomes from this workshop as two-fold: one set includes a series of publications relevant to the subject of interlingual relations; the second includes expanding our network of collaborators by showcasing our work across scholarly conferences.

In terms of publications, Dr. Wigen and I have the following aims: to revise and resubmit a forum of exemplary contributions from the workshop to *International Studies Review* (by June 2019); produce a co-authored article in anticipation of the edited volume (by September 2019); and convene a symposium in Oslo (in October / November 2019) to develop the proposal for the edited book manuscript for submission to The University of Michigan Press. Our present timeline foresees contributors submitting revised chapters by May 2020 and submission of the finished volume by August 2020.

In terms of future collaborations, we have the following aims: a series of follow-up roundtables for ISA-NE 2019 in Providence, RI (November 2019) and the ISA 2020 meeting in Honolulu, HI (March 2020); a proposed section on 'Interlingual Relations' for the EISA network and annual meeting (November 2020); and a series of panels promoting the expected forthcoming edited volume for the ISA 2021 meeting in Las Vegas (April 2021). We are also considering the possibility of a follow-up workshop to finalize book chapters during the European Workshops in International Studies gathering in June 2020.

We see interlingual relations as a vibrant research program that could garner significant interest among IR scholars and fully intend to leverage that potential in the coming years. Given all of the above, we wish to thank you, and the International Studies Association more broadly, for the indispensable opportunities these workshop grants provide. We feel that such opportunities afford young scholars a phenomenal venue for developing their work, as well as continue to strengthen the intellectual, geographical, and demographic diversity of the Association's membership. Without hesitation, our participating colleagues expressed unwavering support for such ventures; so, simply put, we could not have launched this project as efficiently without your support.

Please get in touch with either of us with any questions.

On behalf of Dr. Wigen and myself, we thank you again.

With warm regards,

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