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### CPD FACTSHEET – ASKOT (Czech Republic)

<b>Name of association</b>	<b>ASKOT</b> (Association of Conference Interpreters in the Czech Republic)
<b>Founded in</b>	1990
<b>Country</b>	Czech Republic
<b>Number of members</b>	85
<b>Translators, interpreters or both</b>	85 interpreters
<b>Association has a CPD policy</b>	NO
<b>Is CPD a professional requirement provided for by law</b>	-
<b>Brief description of CPD policy</b>	-
<b>Association organises CPD events</b>	-
<b>Languages of CPD events</b>	-
<b>Type of events</b>	-
<b>Units of measurement in CPD policy</b>	-
<b>Which units</b>	-
<b>How many and envisaged timeframe</b>	-
<b>Association offers record keeping</b>	-
<b>Pros of CPD policy</b>	-
<b>Cons of CPD policy</b>	-
<b>Same rates as members for FIT associations</b>	-
<b>Mutual recognition of attendance</b>	-
<b>Recognition of attendance at CPD events run by non-FIT third parties in the T&amp;I sector where CPD is relevant</b>	-
<b>Recognition of attendance at CPD events run by third parties not in the T&amp;I sector where CPD is relevant</b>	-
<b>Interested in collaborating with other FIT associations to deliver CPD events</b>	YES
<b>Interested in hearing other FIT associations' experience</b>	YES
<b>Interested in identifying and exchanging best practices and how</b>	YES Associations should undertake to write down some main points and then send them out over various media. It is important to know best examples/practices and learn from them. There could be some short of a mailer/publication with news on CPD (general, or specific, like webinar announcements). Some indicative programmes could also be shared for inspiration. It should be noted that smaller associations cannot organise many events or hold CPDs effectively due to financial restrictions, so it is important to have the support of larger associations. Apart from good examples, bad examples should also be shared to learn from them. Use the FIT Europe General Meetings as a forum of discussion. Have a Registry of trainers. Be able to exchange trainers between associations. Have a registry of trainings so that it is clear to all who is doing what.
<b>Harmonisation of CPD across Europe</b>	It could be useful, but it is difficult to be Europe wide. In some countries no certification is necessary, all you need is just a registration in lists. Since there is no governmental need for



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	certification or CPD, there is no motivation in some countries to move forward with this issue. Rather than plan for a Europe-wide implementation, perhaps it would be advisable to start with a small number of core countries and gradually expand it.
<b>CPD events that are "approved/certified" by FIT Europe</b>	It depends on the associations' impression of FIT Europe and participation of associations to FIT Europe developments. This would not work if associations do not participate actively. Therefore, further research is needed.
<b>Two issues of particular concern</b>	In general, there is inadequate understanding of the profession (interpreting), how it is viewed by the general public. Customers do not understand why use a professional, so it is difficult to change attitudes. It is also difficult to communicate quality as a differentiating factor if no one understands what quality is and what professional responsibility is. Visibility of (interpreting) profession. Investment in new technologies.