



FIT EUROPE

REGIONAL CENTRE EUROPE OF THE

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF TRANSLATORS

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CPD FACTSHEET – UNIVERSITAS (Austria)

Name of association	UNIVERSITAS (Interpreters' and Translators' Association)
Founded in	1954
Country	Austria
Number of members	813
Translators, interpreters or both	Both, 561 translators, 410 interpreters
Association has a CPD policy	YES
Is CPD a professional requirement provided for by law	NO
Brief description of CPD policy	We periodically survey our members to get feedback on CPD needs and we organize our CPD based on the survey results. Certified member must comply with CPD requirements (2 CPD activities in the last 5 years). We have a CPD committee with a team leader and regional representatives.
Association organises CPD events	YES
Languages of CPD events	German and English
Type of events	Face to face seminar/course, Online course (1 or more parts), Translation/Interpreting-related, Technology - CAT tools/MT/Post editing, Technology - CAI tools/MI/remote interpreting, Other - business-related, advertising/marketing, Other - personal well-being, Other
Units of measurement in CPD policy	YES
Which units	-
How many and envisaged timeframe	2 events in 2 years for certified members
Association offers record keeping	YES
Pros of CPD policy	1) Early bird prices and strict deadlines for admission. 2) Local representatives organize their own CDP activities in their regions.
Cons of CPD policy	The most difficult thing is the price calculation. Do not sell your CDP activities too low!
Same rates as members for FIT associations	YES
Mutual recognition of attendance	YES
Recognition of attendance at CPD events run by non-FIT third parties in the T&I sector where CPD is relevant	YES
Recognition of attendance at CPD events run by third parties not in the T&I sector where CPD is relevant	YES
Interested in collaborating with other FIT associations to deliver CPD events	YES
Interested in hearing other FIT associations' experience	YES
Interested in identifying and exchanging best practices and how	YES Success stories. Social media. Seminars. Informal talks, World cafés
Harmonisation of CPD across Europe	Desirable but not a priority
CPD events that are "approved/certified" by FIT Europe	Great ideas. We would love to have a quality seal
Two issues of particular concern	Digitalisation. Future of our profession. Price debate: low fares.



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