

## What a volunteer interpreter said about the Douzelage Conference assignment –

What did you learn or gain?

“The conference did give me an introduction to the profession of the Interpreter. In fact, I had a preview of the profession. I discovered some of the negative and positive sides of the profession. The experience was instructive. It was not worth missing this occasion.”

What was the most difficult aspect?

“I think the most difficult part of it was to actually concentrate on what I was hearing and when I was translating. As well, I tried to use the accurate vocabulary; and, sometimes, find the words (I had knowledge-gaps) even in my native language. And of course the time.”

What was the best?

“To have the opportunity to do it: to use my linguistic knowledge in a real situation. The people I met and the opportunity to taste food from different countries of Europe. It was very challenging and I liked it.”

Would you recommend this experience to a friend? YES/NO