

**COMPETITION FOR THE BEST STUDENT TRANSLATION AWARD  
AND STUDENT RESIDENCE FOR LITERARY TRANSLATION  
"BABYLON – New Generation" 2024**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 27, 2024**

The Delegation of the European Union and the Faculty of Philology "Blazhe Koneski" - Skopje, are pleased to announce **the Competition for the best student translation award and student residency for literary translation "Babylon - New Generation" 2024.**

This call is open to all university students (not older than 27 years) who at the time of application are enrolled in at least the third year of studies at one of the faculties in the country. Candidates need to apply for the competition with a translation from any of the 24 official languages of the European Union, into any of the languages spoken in the country.

The competition itself consists of two phases, namely:

- ✓ **Student residency for literary translation, which will be held from April 17 to 21, 2024 in the village of Radozhda, Struga.** Through a carefully designed programme, the residency will offer a series of sessions on building translation skills in various aspects, guided by mentors, with the aim of offering the students extracurricular professional development, as well as encouraging quality in the translation of literary works from European languages into languages spoken in the country. **The costs of the residency, including transportation and full-board accommodation, will be fully covered.** Accommodation will be organized in private facilities (1/2 и 1/3 apartments). The detailed programme of the residency, as well as all logistical information, will be provided to the participants after the closing of the call for applications.
  
- ✓ **After the residency, the candidates will work on a translation within their language combination, with which they will anonymously compete for the best student translation award.** They will translate an excerpt from a title selected from the list of prose titles in the relevant official EU languages, into the selected target language spoken in the country. At the end of the residency, the candidates will receive a list of prose works that have not yet been translated into the local languages. The translation must be between 3,000 – 5,000 words. The submitted translations must be individual works of each candidate; joint translations will not be accepted. The jury that will evaluate the translations will be composed of established translators, university professors, writers, etc. - with the exception of the mentors from the residence, in order to guarantee the transparency of the award. Detailed instructions on the format and method of submission of the translations will be provided at the end of the residency. **Participation in the residency automatically entails an obligation for students to submit a translation, with which they apply for the award.**

**The working language of the residency for literary translation will be Macedonian.**

The maximum number of participants at the residence is 15 students. The applicants will be notified of the results of their application at the beginning of April.

**Time frame and deadlines**

Application deadline: **March 27, 2024**

Residence dates: **April 17 – 21, 2024**

Deadline for submission of translations: **July 30, 2024**

The award ceremony will take place on the European Day of Languages, September 26, 2024.

**APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:**

- **Completed application form**

**- Short biography**

- **A short entry translation** of an excerpt from a prose work, 500 - 1,000 words long, in the language combination the candidate applies with (for e.g. from Italian into Macedonian). The translation should be made directly from the prose text in the source language, and submitted only in the target language. The translation should also include information on the source publication and language from which the translation was done (e.g., translation from the original in English language, Banville, John. *The Sea*. [2. Ed.], Alfred A. Knopf, 2007, p. 190-195).

- **A signed statement** by the candidate that, by applying for and participating in the residency, he/she undertakes to participate in the *Babylon - New Generation 2024* award, by submitting his/her own translation, as well as that he/she agrees to all the conditions of the competition and the residency.

- **Scanned copy of the ID card**

**The documents should be submitted through the following Google form, no later than March 27, 2024:** <https://forms.gle/uhtWc8RwAdFGUQM8>

**Questions regarding the competition can be sent to the following address:** [babylonnewgeneration@euhouse.mk](mailto:babylonnewgeneration@euhouse.mk).

- Applicants must be citizens of North Macedonia.
- Relatives and/or friends of the organizers or members of the jury have no right to participate.
- The jury's decision is final. Candidates may receive feedback and the jury's comments on the submitted translations after the awarding of the awards.
- The jury will be formed in accordance with the language combinations of the applicants.
- The jury reserves the right not to bestow an award.
- Applying for the competition means accepting all the conditions of the residency and the subsequent selection of the best translation.

**The award will consist of a study trip related to translation (in the value of 1,000 EUR) and publication of the first prize-winning translation in the *Annual collected works* of the Faculty of Philology "Blazhe Koneski" – Skopje.**

Additional information can be found on the following websites:  
[https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/republic-north-macedonia\\_en](https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/republic-north-macedonia_en)  
<https://flf.ukim.mk/>  
<https://www.euhouse.mk/>