

## **METM 2005 (Barcelona): meeting on scientific editing and translation**

### **Mediterranean Editors' and Translators' Meeting**

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Mediterranean Editors' and Translators' Meetings (METM) is a new southern European and Mediterranean network of English language consultants of many types—editors, translators/interpreters, communication coaches, technical writers and educators in English for specific purposes. The association will be launched at the group's first meeting in Barcelona on 4-5 November 2005 at the start of Science Week.

METM aims to provide a meeting place for consultants who work with oral, written and multimedia texts—and with their authors—in areas where English language mediators are needed. The plan is to share expertise and channel information between local language consultants and larger organizations like the European Association of Science Editors, the Council of Science Editors, the European (and American) Medical Writers' Association(s) and the IEEE Professional Communication Society. While the main focus will be on editing, translation, coaching and other communication services for academics and professionals in scientific disciplines, the needs of other groups in finance, culture, politics, business and non-governmental organizations will also fall within our scope.

The first meeting—METM 05—will feature two plenary speakers. Joy Burrough-Boenisch, founding member of SENSE, a model self-help the organization of English editors in the Netherlands, will speak on the “sense” of editors' associations. She will also give a workshop on how to train editors and translators to work with the texts of non-native English speakers. The second speaker is Ana Marusic, former president of the World Association of Medical Editors and editor-in-chief of the *Croatian Medical Journal*. In that capacity Dr. Marusic has been instrumental in implementing an approach to peer review that also serves to mentor young scientists, helping to create a critical mass of publishing researchers in her region.

Further information about the program and how to register can be found on the METM web page: <[www.metmeetings.org](http://www.metmeetings.org)>.