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## **The International Medical Interpreters Association (IMIA) wins the Intrtranet™ Linguists of the Year Award for 2009**

Rouen, France (Intrtranet): The International Medical Interpreters Association (Also known as IMIA) has won the Intrtranet™ Linguists of the Year Award for 2009. The Intrtranet™ Linguists of the Year Awards recognise the struggle – and sometimes the personal sacrifice – of interpreters and translators who have helped increase public awareness of the importance of linguists and languages during the year. Nominees are selected in relation to the frequency and impact of their presence in the press worldwide in 2009, and the winner is elected by the members of the Intrtranet™ global network of professional interpreters and translators, and by subscribers to Intrtranews, the network's official news service.

The International Medical Interpreters Association accepted the Intrtranet™ Linguists of the Year Award in the following terms: “Our grassroots organization is working very hard to represent and advocate for this growing profession. It is an honor to receive this recognition in the name of all medical interpreters providing essential services to language minority patients worldwide,” said Izabel Arocha, IMIA President. The Intrtranet™ would like to thank all the sponsors of the Awards for their kind support: HTT, the Globalization And Localization Association (GALA), TERMNET, the International Association of Professional Interpreters And Translators (AIPTI), Elefnet, Traductera as well as all the subscribers to Intrtranews. For further information on the Intrtranet™ Linguist of the Year Awards, please visit: [http://www.intra.net/linguists\\_of\\_the\\_year](http://www.intra.net/linguists_of_the_year). For further information on the International Medical Interpreters Association, please visit: <http://www.imiaweb.org/default.asp>.

### **About**

The Intrtranet™ is a global network of professional interpreters and translators and the multilingual portal they use. It provides a complete range of services including a unique CV for members automatically available in any of 33 languages. Intrtranews, the network's daily news bulletin, is read each month by more than 40,000 linguists in over 140 countries and syndicated by more than 150 institutions, associations and universities worldwide. The Intrtranet™ was included in the UNESCO Observatory for the Information Society in January 2006 and in the scope of ISO 9001:2000 certification in 2007.

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