RESOLUTION CORRESPONDING TO THE SECOND APPLICATION PROCESS OF 2016 FOR THE AWARDING OF GRANTS (ON THE BASIS OF COMPETITIVE TENDERING) FOR ACTIVITIES INVOLVING THE PROMOTION AND DISSEMINATION ABROAD OF CATALAN LITERATURE AND PHILOSOPHY AND LITERATURE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Factual Background

1. By virtue of the resolution issued by the director of the Institut Ramon Llull on 3 June 2016 (Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia (DOGC) no. 7145 dated 20 June 2016) the second application process was opened for the awarding of grants (on the basis of competitive tendering) for activities involving the promotion and dissemination abroad of Catalan literature and philosophy, and literature for children and young people, in 2016.

2. The assessment committee met on 28 October 2016 to study and nominate the submitted applications.

3. On 11 November 2016, the examining body formulated a motion for a provisional resolution on the awarding of the grants, in accordance with the assessment committee’s proposal.

4. On 5 December 2016, the examining body drew up a proposed resolution on the awarding of the grants, in accordance with the assessment committee’s proposal.

Legal Grounds


3. Government Agreement 110/2014 of 22 July approving the model of regulatory rules for procedures regarding grants awarded on the basis of competitive tendering, as processed by the administration of the Government of Catalonia and the corresponding public sector bodies.

4. Rules 1.2 and 13.2 of the rules governing the application process for the awarding of grants by the Institut Ramon Llull for activities designed to promote and disseminate works of Catalan literature and philosophy abroad in 2016.

5. The Institut Ramon Llull has adequate and sufficient funds in its current budget.

Article 13.2(e) of the Statutes of the Institut Ramon Llull empowers the Director of the Institut Ramon Llull to award grants.
Resolution

Accordingly, I resolve:

1. To award grants to the applicants listed in the annex, for the amounts and purposes stipulated therein.

2. To stipulate that the Institut Ramon Llull will process payment of 100% of the grant awarded once the grant-funded activity has concluded and the supporting documents specified in Rule 16 have been submitted.

3. To stipulate that these grants are considered de minimis aid, governed by Commission Regulation (EU) 1407/2013 of 18 December 2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid (OJEU L352 of 24/12/2013).

4. To stipulate that the beneficiaries undertake to provide, whenever requested, any information that may be requested from them by the Institut Ramon Llull regarding the grant awarded, and to undergo any verification and monitoring procedures that the Institut Ramon Llull or other competent bodies deem necessary.

Admissible Appeals

This resolution does not exhaust the administrative channels for appeal and, in accordance with Articles 121 and 122 of the Legal Framework for Public Administrations and Common Administrative Procedure Act (Law 39/2015 of 1 October), an appeal for the matter to be passed to a higher authority may be lodged with the Chairman of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull within a period of one month following the publication of this resolution. The one month period is settled on the same day as the date of the publication.

Barcelona, 7 December 2016

The Director of the Institut Ramon Llull

Manuel Forcano
ANNEX

L0124 U10 N-PRO 437/16-B1
Beneficiary: Club Editor 1959, SL
Dates: 5 March to 5 April 2016
Activity: Presentation in Madrid of the Spanish translation of the book *El mar*, by Blai Bonet with the participation of Maria Bohigas and Agustí Villaronga.
Sum requested: €1,486.24
Sum awardable: €1,486.24
Score awarded: 31
Sum awarded: €921

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by publisher Club Editor 1959, SL, for the promotion of the Spanish edition of the book *El mar*, by Blai Bonet. The committee gave a positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant, a long-standing, independent publisher, whose portfolio includes some of the most renowned names in Catalan fiction of the 20th century, and who recently began publishing work in Spanish in order to increase their authors’ numbers of readers.
The committee welcomed the cultural dimension of the activity, given that the film by Agustí Villaronga, which is based on the book, is being used to promote it, and the well-known actress Blanca Portillo will be reciting some excerpts from the book. Additionally, the event is to take place at La Casa Encendida, one of the most innovative and influential cultural centres in Madrid.
The committee did not value the degree of self-financing positively because the applicant applied for the total cost of the activity to be covered by Institut Ramon Llull.
The committee valued the event’s international dimension and its promotional potential for the internationalisation of Catalan literature. The event’s promotional outreach was also highly valued, given that the applicant has requested a communications agency in Madrid to organise a specific campaign in the local media.
The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover the travel costs for Maria Bohigas and Agustí Villaronga, the fees for Maria Bohigas, Agustí Villaronga and Blanca Portillo, and part of the cost of the communications agency.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 441/16-B1
Beneficiary: Fondation Les Forges Inc.
Dates: 30 September to 9 October 2016
Activity: The participation of poet Eduard Sanahuja in the Quebec Festival Trois-Rivières
Sum requested: €2,350.00
Sum awardable: €2,350.00
Score awarded: 37
Sum awarded: €1,739.00

The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Fondation Les Forges Inc. for the participation of poet Eduard Sanahuja in the Trois-Rivières International Poetry Festival (Quebec, Canada). The author has been invited to give numerous lectures on his poems throughout the ten-day duration of the festival. The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity, a consolidated and internationally renowned poetry festival, which in past editions has included other Catalan language poets in their programme such as Susanna Rafart, Biel Mesquida and Víctor Obiols.
The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the high cultural interest of the activities, given that they will take place at a poetry festival which has a significant impact on all cultural spheres of the host city. The committee did not value the degree of self-financing positively because the applicant applied for the total cost of inviting the author to be covered by Institut Ramon Llull.

The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the international dimension of the activity, (about one hundred poets from five continents participate in the festival each year), and of the promotional capacity of the event, due to the large audiences in each of the programmed activities, and the significant coverage given by the general media and specialist media channels. The committee also gave a positive evaluation of the impact of the event on the internationalisation of Catalan literature (in this case poetry), because the importance of the festival means that as well as the authors, there is also significant participation from editors, programmers, and cultural figures from other countries.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees for the participating author.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 460/16-B1
Beneficiary: Words Without Borders.
Dates: 1 April to 1 May 2016
Activity: The participation of poet Melcion Mateu in an event at Poets House in New York, together with the American poet and translator Rowan Ricardo Phillips, and the publication of texts by the author in the Words Without Borders magazine.
Sum requested: €1,550.00
Sum awardable: €1,550.00
Score awarded: 44
Sum awarded: €1,364.00

The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Words Without Borders for the participation of poet Melcion Mateu in an event at Poets House in New York, together with the American poet and translator Rowan Ricardo Phillips. The committee gave a positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity, which is specialised in international literature and in recent years has published brief texts in English by authors such as Quim Monzó, Empar Moliner, Toni Sala and Najat El Hachmi. The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the high cultural interest of the activities, to include the reading of poems, the mutual translation of poems between Mateu and Phillips, and a talk with Mary Ann Newman. The translated poems have been published in the April 2016 edition of the magazine Words Without Borders.

The committee also gave a positive evaluation of the degree of co-financing by the entity. The committee valued the international dimension of the activity given that other international authors (apart from Phillips) participated, such as American novelist and poet Idra Novey, and Brazilian poet Flávia Rocha. The committee valued the event's capacity for promotion and impact on the internationalisation of Catalan literature thanks to significant publicity that Poets House events creates, and the publication of the poems on the Words Without Borders website.

The committee proposes that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees for the participating author, Melcion Mateu.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 461/16-B1
Beneficiary: Kud Sodobnost International.
Dates: 19 to 23 April 2016
Activity: The presentation in different Slovenian cities of the book Carta a la reina d'Anglaterra, by Vicenç
The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by the publisher Kud Sodobnost International for the presentation in different Slovenian cities of the book *Carta a la reina d'Anglaterra*, by Vicenç Pagès Jordà.

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity, a publisher which has already published works by other Catalan authors (Josep M. Folch i Torres, Manuel de Pedrolo), and another by Pagès Jordà himself, *La felicitat no és completa*.

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the high cultural interest of the activities, given that the tour includes the cities of Ljubljana, Maribor and Novo Mesto, where different presentations were held (in which the translator Veronika Rot also took part), and interviews with the local media.

The degree of co-financing contributed by the publisher was also appreciated, who applied to cover half of the expenses. The committee also valued the international dimension of the activity, given its general impact on Slovenian book readers. The committee valued the event's capacity for promotion and impact on the internationalisation of Catalan literature, given that some of the authors' works have been translated by different publishers in the country over recent years.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees of the participating author, Vicenç Pagès Jordà, and part of the marketing campaign expenses.

**L0124 U10 N-PRO 474/16-B1**

Beneficiary: Ediciones Alpha Decay, S.A.

Dates: 3 to 10 October 2016.


The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Ediciones Alpha Decay SA. for the promotion in Madrid of the Spanish translation of the book *Germà de gel*, by Alicia Kopf. The event will be held at the Tipos Infames bookshop, a place frequented by those with significant cultural interest.

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant publisher, a small publishing house from Barcelona specialised in Spanish fiction and essays, particularly by internationally renowned authors, although it has also published Spanish editions of work by Francesc Serés and Jaume C. Pons Alorda.

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the high cultural interest of the activity, but did not value the degree of self-financing positively because the applicant applied for the total cost of the presentation to be covered by Institut Ramon Llull.

The committee valued the event's capacity for promotion, but considers that its international dimension and impact on the internationalisation of Catalan literature is rather limited.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees for the participating author.
L0124 U10 N-PRO 490/16-B1
Beneficiary: Sinan Kilic (ALEF YAYINEVI).
Dates: 15 October to 15 November 2016
Activity: The promotion of the Turkish translation of the book *La plaça del diamant* by Mercè Rodoreda.
Sum requested: €500.00
Sum awardable: €500.00
Score awarded: 28
Sum awarded: €500.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Sinan Kilic (ALEF YAYINEVI) for the promotion in Istanbul of the Turkish translation of the book *La plaça del diamant* by Mercè Rodoreda. Three separate events are planned: the reading of some passages from the book by a renowned journalist from Turkish television at an important university, a lunch with two journalists to present the book to them, and the distribution of different promotional material in strategic places (bookshops, universities, cafeterias). The committee gave a positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity, a dynamic Turkish publisher specialized in international fiction that works with renowned authors such as Pierre Michon, Martin Walser and John Updike. Sinan Kilic (ALEF YAYINEVI) has also recently published work by other Catalan authors in Turkish, such as Jaume Cabré and Carme Riera.

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the cultural interest of the activity, as it concerns the translation of a classic piece of 20th century Catalan literary work. The committee also valued the degree of self-financing of the activity, despite its limited international dimension. Furthermore, the committee valued the planned event's capacity for promotion and possible impact on the internationalisation of Catalan literature in a country in which Catalan authors are little known.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from production of the printed materials for the promotional campaign.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 499/16-B1
Beneficiary: Brandt New World Agency, SL.
Dates: 1 January to 19 September 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book *La memòria de les formigues*, by Iolanda Batallé
Sum requested: €1,135.14
Sum awardable: €1,135.14
Score awarded: 36
Sum awarded: €817.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by the agency Brandt New World Agency, SL. for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book *La memòria de les formigues*, by Iolanda Batallé. The committee valued the applicant company's portfolio of authors and their experience as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, David Buss. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. Moreover, the committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, in light of the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work's promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.
L0124 U10 N-PRO 508/16-B1
Beneficiary: Buildingbooks S.L. (IMC Agència Literària)
Dates: 1 August to 1 September 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book *El món de Joan Ferrer*, by C.A. Jordana
Sum requested: €600.00
Sum awardable: €600.00
Score awarded: 36
Sum awarded: €600.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Buildingbooks S.L. (IMC Agència Literària) for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book *El món de Joan Ferrer*, by C.A. Jordana. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience, and particularly valued the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Peter Bush, who has extensive and recognised experience in the translation of Catalan literature into English. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. Moreover, the committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, (his great work on the exile from Jordan) and the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 511/16-B1
Beneficiary: Buildingbooks S.L. (IMC Agència Literària)
Dates: 1 June to 1 July 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book *La bíblia valenciana*, by Rafael Tasis
Sum requested: €726.00
Sum awardable: €726.00
Score awarded: 36
Sum awarded: €726.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Buildingbooks S.L. (IMC Agència Literària) for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book *La bíblia valenciana*, by Rafael Tasis. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience, as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Arnau Muntaner. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. Moreover, the committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, (his great work on the exile from Jordan) and the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 513/16-B1
Beneficiary: International Editors’ Co, SL
Dates: 1 to 15 September 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book *El parèntesi esquerre*, by Muriel Villanueva
Sum requested: €300.00
Sum awardable: €300.00
Score awarded: 31
Sum awarded: €300.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by International Editors’ Co, SL for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book *El parèntesi esquerre*, by Muriel Villanueva. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Marianne Choquet. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. The committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, in light of the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

**L0124 U10 N-PRO 520/16-B1**

Beneficiary: Fishing Talent S.L.
Dates: 1 to 30 November 2016
Activity: The translation into Spanish of an excerpt of the book *La dona del Cadillac*, by Joan Carreras
Sum requested: €784.00
Sum awardable: €784.00
Score awarded: 31
Sum awarded: €784.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Fishing Talent S.L. for the translation into Spanish of an excerpt of the book *La dona del Cadillac*, by Joan Carreras. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Isabel Llasat. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, and also valued the international projection of the proposed work and author. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

**L0124 U10 N-PRO 521/16-B1**

Beneficiary: Fishing Talent S.L.
Dates: 1 to 30 December 2016
Activity: The translation into Spanish of an excerpt of the book *La memòria de l’arbre*, by Tina Vallès
Sum requested: €840.00
Sum awardable: €840.00
Score awarded: 36
Sum awarded: €605.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Fishing Talent S.L. for the translation into Spanish of an excerpt of the book *La memòria de l’arbre*, by Tina Vallès. The committee
valued the applicant company's portfolio of authors and their experience as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Carlos Mayor. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, and also valued the international projection of the proposed work and author. The committee also valued the work's promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 522/16-B1
Beneficiary: Fishing Talent S.L.
Dates: 1 to 30 December 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book El navegant, by Joan-Lluís Lluís
Sum requested: €494.00
Sum awardable: €494.00
Score awarded: 31
Sum awarded: €494.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by Fishing Talent S.L. for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book El navegant, by Joan-Lluís Lluís. The committee valued the applicant company's portfolio of authors and their experience, and particularly valued the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Julie Wark, who has extensive experience in the translation of Catalan fiction and non-fiction work into English. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. The committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, in light of the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work's promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 523/16-B1
Beneficiary: Fundación Contemporánea
Dates: 4 and 5 November 2016
Activity: The participation of writers Albert Forns, Anna Ballbona and Jordi Nopca in the Festival Eñe in Madrid.
Sum requested: €8,580.00
Sum awardable: €5,848.00
Score awarded: 32
Sum awarded: €3,743.00

The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by the Fundación Contemporánea for the participation of writers Albert Forns, Anna Ballbona and Jordi Nopca in the Festival Eñe in Madrid, held at the Círculo de Bellas Artes. The former two authors presented their novels for the Llibres Anagrama novel Awards and were winner and finalist respectively. Furthermore, Nopca was invited to describe his experience as a storywriter in a session on short fiction books. The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity Fundación Contemporánea, organiser of the Festival Eñe and other important cultural initiatives and events in Madrid.
The committee gave a positive evaluation of the cultural interest of the activities, which form part of the abundant literary events that make up the festival, in which renowned Spanish writers, artists, and intellectuals participate.

The committee did not value the degree of self-financing positively because the applicant applied for the total cost of the authors’ participation in the festival to be covered by Institut Ramon Llull.

The committee valued the activity’s international dimension and gave a very positive evaluation of the event’s capacity for promotion and its potential effect on the internationalisation of Catalan literature, given the influence of the Festival Eñe on the city’s cultural life and its impact in the general media and those specialised in cultural themes.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees of the three invited authors Albert Forns, Anna Ballbona and Jordi Nopca, and part of the costs arising from the marketing campaign.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 534/16-B1
Beneficiary: Brandt New World Agency, SL.
Dates: 1 to 19 September 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book 60 dies a Cuba, by Roger de Gràcia
Sum requested: €1,334.00
Sum awardable: €1,334.00
Score awarded: 36
Sum awarded: €960.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by the agency Brandt New World Agency, SL. for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book 60 dies a Cuba, by Roger de Gràcia. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, Deborah Bonner. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. The committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, in light of the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 535/16-B1
Beneficiary: Brandt New World Agency, SL.
Dates: 1 to 16 September 2016
Activity: The translation into English of an excerpt from the book Si quan et donen per mort un dia tornes, by Lluís Llort.
Sum requested: €1,546.96
Sum awardable: €1,546.96
Score awarded: 37
Sum awarded: €1,145.00

The committee gave a positive evaluation of the grant application submitted by the agency Brandt New World Agency, SL. for the translation into English of an excerpt from the book Si quan et donen per mort un dia tornes, by Lluís Llort. The committee valued the applicant company’s portfolio of authors and their experience
as well as the CV of the translator of the excerpt, David Buss. The committee highly valued the suitability of the proposal to the objectives and overall policy of the Institut Ramon Llull with regard to the promotion of Catalan literature abroad, given that it consists of the translation of an excerpt from a Catalan work of fiction into English, considered a leading priority by the Institut Ramon Llull. The committee welcomed the international projection of the author and the work in question, in light of the fact that it concerns a translation into English - a language which has a multiplying effect on the promotion of the work with a view to selling the translation rights. The committee also valued the work’s promotional outreach, given the possibility of using the translated excerpt as a sample at book fairs during the end of 2016 and all of 2017.

L0124 U10 N-PRO 536/16-B1
Beneficiary: Peter-Weiss Stiftung für Kunst und Politik e.V.
Dates: 1 July to 31 December 2016
Activity: The participation of Najat El Hachmi in the project “Refugees Worldwide”
Sum requested: €3,050.00
Sum awardable: €3,050.00
Score awarded: 35
Sum awarded: €2,135.00

The committee made a very positive appraisal of the grant application submitted by Peter-Weiss-Stiftung für Kunst und Politik e.V. for the participation of writer Najat El Hachmi in the project “Refugees Worldwide”. The author will travel to Nador (Morocco) to document the situation of the refugees there and write a literary text about it, accompanied by a photographer. The text will be published together with the other reports made by other authors from other countries in different areas of the world in digital format (e-book), as well as in German press and the main European newspapers.

The committee gave a very positive evaluation of the professional background of the applicant entity, which organizes the renowned Berlin International Literature Festival in which each year some of the most prominent names in the global literary scene participate.

Moreover, the committee valued the cultural interest of the project because it will mean seeing Najat El Hachmi’s name alongside other renowned international authors’ names, and who will be involved in a project on one of today’s most problematic issues.

The committee did not value the degree of self-financing positively because the applicant applied for the total cost of the Catalan author’s participation in the project to be covered by Institut Ramon Llull.

The committee welcomed the international dimension of the activity given the presence of authors from different countries in the project and its international scope in general. The potential publicity of the project and impact on the internationalisation of Catalan literature was also highly valued, given the publication of the author’s text together with texts by other authors, in several German and European newspapers.

The committee proposed that the grant be used to cover part of the costs arising from the travel and accommodation arrangements and fees for the author, Najat El Hachmi, and part of the costs of the translation of the text into English and German.