











Newsletter

Argentine literature: grants program for foreign publishing houses



The Directorate for Cultural Affairs of the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs has launched the 2022 edition of Programa SUR, an ongoing cultural policy that seeks t o disseminate Argentine literature across the world through grants in

support of the translation of works written by Argentine authors, which are awarded to foreign publishing houses following an evaluation by the Translations Committee.

Since it was created, the program has awarded more than 1.472 works translated into 49 languages in 51 countries.

The productions to be translated can be chosen by the publishing houses from within the different literary genres and they may be by both classic and contemporary Argentine authors, whose themes are representative of the country's national identity. The application period in which to present requests for grants will be until September 30, 2022.

The amount of the grant may not exceed US\$ 3200 per work and the selected publishing houses will be required to complete the project with the publication of the work.

Publishing houses which are interested in participating in this grant program may contact our Embassy at emsia@mrecic.gov.ar for further information and guidance on the application process.



Argentine exports reached US\$ 77,934 million, the highest amount since 2012

Argentina had in 2021 the third best year in its history in terms of exports, reaching a total of US\$ 77,934 million, only surpassed by 2011 and 2012.

Argentine sales abroad grew by 42% in value compared to 2020 and by 20% compared to 2019. The volume exported increased by 12.9% year-on-year, reaching the level of 2010. Except for fuel and energy –sectors in which a higher local demand was observed–, all major items exceeded their export levels of 2020 and 2019.

Manufactures of industrial origin were those with the highest growth (32.9%) and accumulated four quarters of uninterrupted increases. The exported volumes of manufactures of agricultural origin and primary products also grew by 11.7% and 5.4%, respectively.

Expo Dubai 2020: Argentine Esports company signs agreement

The Argentine pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai was the venue for the signing ceremony of an agreement between the Argentine company Esports Planet and Nousheen Mukhtar International.



Esports Planet's core business focuses on the organization of

tournaments and leagues for different electronic sports (eSports). With offices in Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador and Peru, it operates the official virtual soccer leagues of those countries in conjunction with the FIFA member Soccer Associations.

Argentina participates in the 2020 Dubai Universal Exposition with a 414 m2 pavilion whose main attraction is a 148 sqm. multimedia room, with state-of-the-art digital tools for visitors to appreciate the iconic natural landscapes of the country, the cultural diversity of its people, the talent of its athletes and its potential in terms of agribusiness, renewable energy and science and technology, among other fields.



Argentina sends White Helmets mission to assist those leaving Ukraine



A White Helmets mission, accompanied by Argentine consular officials, left for the Polish-Ukrainian border in order to provide humanitarian assistance to guarantee the safe evacuation of Argentine citizens, as well as nationals of the other

Latin American and Caribbean countries, who seek to leave the Ukrainian territory during these times of war.

Since the beginning of the armed conflict, the White Helmets established a channel of coordination with the Argentine representations in Eastern Europe in order to provide help for the immediate evacuation of our nationals.

Since then, the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs, through its diplomatic offices in the region, has been promoting a joint work with other Latin American countries based on the well established consular cooperation mechanism considering that most of those countries -with the exceptions of Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and Cuba- do not have Diplomatic offices in Ukraine.

The UN highlights the consular work of Argentina during the Covid-19 pandemic

Through a report by the Secretary General, António Guterres, presented to the General Assembly, the United Nations (UN) recognized and highlighted the consular work of the Argentine Republic -deployed through its Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diplomatic representations- in terms of the



protection of the Argentine citizens who were stranded abroad as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Beginning of April 2020, the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs, through its consular network, launched the Assistance Program for Argentines Abroad, an unprecedented initiative with the purpose of guaranteeing accommodation, food, health care and any other basic needs that vulnerable Argentine nationals stranded abroad could have. In addition to that and in the framework of an also historic repatriation operation, between March 16 and June 30, 2020, 205,769 compatriots and foreign residents in Argentina who were abroad were safely brought back to the country.

Dr. Verónica Gómez, new judge in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights



During February, the opening ceremony of the Inter-American Judicial Year 2022 was held at the Headquarters of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, in which the new appointed Judges took office: Verónica Gómez from Argentina, Nancy Hernández López from Costa Rica, Patricia Pérez Goldberg from Chile and Rodrigo de Bittencourt Mudrovitch from Brazil.

It should be noted that the Argentine Government nominated Dr. Gómez to fill one of the four existing vacancies as of January 2022 in the main court in our region, with the solid conviction that gender parity in Human Rights international organizations must be achieved, being Verónica Gómez the first Argentine judge who will integrate this Court.

Commemoration of the 118th Argentine Antarctic sector Day

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commemoration of the 118th Argentine Antarctic Sector Day that had the virtual participation of the Argentine Antarctic bases Carlini, Esperanza, Marambio and Petrel.

On February 22, 1904, the Argentine flag was hoisted at the Meteorological and Magnetic Observatory on Laurie Island, thus constituting the first permanent Antarctic base in the world which was set up together with the first post office in Antarctica.

Argentina is the country with the longest presence in the area and is also the nation with the most bases on the "white Continent": six permanent stations and seven temporary ones that operate during the summer.

For more than 118 years, the Argentine Antarctic presence has been strengthened through the country's scientific activity and the protection of the Antarctic environment by the scientists of the Argentine Antarctic Institute.

Latin American Parliament reaffirms its support to Argentina's rights over the Malvinas islands

The Ordinary Assembly of the Latin American Parliament (PARLATINO) adopted in February a Declaration that reaffirms its support to the legitimate rights of the Argentine Republic in its sovereignty dispute with the United Kingdom over the Malvinas islands.

In this recent declaration, the PARLATINO called the governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom to resume negotiations in order to find, as soon as possible, a peaceful and definitive solution to the sovereignty dispute over the Malvinas islands and its surrounding maritime spaces in accordance with the relevant United Nations Resolutions and the Declarations and Joint Communiqués of the Organization of American States (OAS), MERCOSUR and other regional and multilateral forums.