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European Commission supports HALMA grants programme

20 European writers receive mobility grant

HALMA, the European Network of literary centres, enlarges its mobility grants programme for writers in the context of a pilot project of the European Commission. The HALMA network wants to enhance international understanding via literary exchange. With the HALMA mobility grant writers can spend four weeks each in two different literary centres of the network. With the support of the European Commission, the S. Fischer Foundation, the Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, the Arts and Culture and Wales Literature Exchange authors from 19 European countries will be awarded a HALMA grant.

For the year 2010 a jury has selected the following authors: Cvetka Bevc (Slovenia), Filip Florian (Romania), Alain Freudiger (Switzerland), Peeter Helme (Estonia), Tristan Hughes (Wales), Angel Mihaylov Igov (Bulgaria), Ignacy Karpowicz (Poland), Anna Kim (Austria), Elena Jurissevich (Switzerland), Liana Langa (Latvia), Svenja Leiber (Germany), Maritta Lintunen (Finland), Sian Melangell Dafydd (Wales), Pietro Montorfani (Switzerland), Donatas Petrošius (Lithuania), Titsa Pipinou (Greece), Flavio Soriga (Italy), János Térey (Hungary), Jeroen Theunissen (Belgium) and Tomáš Zmeškal (Czech Republic). In 2010 there will be altogether 23 HALMA grants. We will soon announce the names of the authors from other countries.

The HALMA network was initiated by the Robert Bosch Foundation, the Borderland Foundation and the Literary Colloquium Berlin in 2006. More information about HALMA is available on our website www.halma-network.eu.

It would be great if you included the above information in your publications.

Sincerely,

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