

Dear ATISA members,

As a professional conference interpreter and translation scholar, I am eager to contribute to the advancement of translation and interpreting studies in the United States.

Back in my home country, I was actively involved in national conference interpreting associations and firmly believe in the potential of such organizations to drive progress in our field. I hope to bring my experience and expertise to ATISA, collaborating with fellow members to promote growth and excellence.

I look forward to the opportunity to collaborate with you all and contribute to the flourishing of our field.

Short bio:

Dr. Ozum Arzik-Erzurumlu, currently a visiting researcher and lecturer at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, will transition to a full-time lecturer role at the University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign in August. Holding a PhD in Translation Studies and an MA in International Relations, Dr. Arzik-Erzurumlu's research interests encompass various aspects of interpretation, including conference interpreting, the sociology of interpreting, interpreting technology, interpreter training, and interpreting history. Her research appeared in several journals including *Translation and Interpreting Studies* and *Interpreting*. She is a professional conference interpreter with Turkish (A), English (B) and Spanish (C). Notably, she has interpreted for American Presidents on various Turkish broadcasters since 2006 and remains an active member of the Turkish Conference Interpreters' Association. She is currently working on her book manuscript entitled *Reimagining Conference Interpreting: Adapting to the Remote Landscape in the Post-Pandemic World*, which is scheduled for publication by Routledge.