



**RESOLUTION of 18 May 2020 publicising the Agreement of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull Consortium, approving the amendment of the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety)**

The Institut Ramon Llull Consortium (hereinafter, the Institut Ramon Llull) is a non-profit public law institution formed by the Government of Catalonia, to which it is attached, the Government of the Autonomous Community of the Balearic Islands and the Barcelona City Council. Its purpose is to promote the Catalan language and culture abroad in all its forms of expression. Pursuant to this purpose, the Institut Ramon Llull supports the policies of its partner institutions with regard to external relations in the field of culture.

In early March 2020, the disease caused by Coronavirus (COVID-19) was recognised as a global pandemic. This led to the declaration of a state of alarm on 14 March 2020, in efforts to manage the resulting health crisis. This pandemic is affecting our economy and, in particular, the cultural industry, which has been forced to come to a standstill. The Government is focusing its efforts on preventing, to the extent possible, irreparable damage to the employment, business, institutional and creative fabric that comprises the world of culture, helping to lay down the foundations and mechanisms to ensure a quick and positive recovery from the drastic and involuntary reduction in cultural activity.

In this regard, the Government approved Decree Law 8/2020, of 24 March, partially amending Decree Law 7/2020, of 17 March, on urgent measures with regard to public procurement, health and health waste management, transparency, public transport and tax and economic matters, and also adopted exceptional measures with regard to grants.

According to Decree Law 8/2020, of 24 March, measures may be taken to, in accordance with the grant regulations and the common administrative procedure, make the terms and conditions of the rules and calls for grants more flexible, for the purpose of making any grant or aid-funded activities that have been affected by the situation involving COVID-19 or the measures taken to combat it as viable as possible.

In this regard, the director of the Literature and Philosophy Department at the Institut Ramon Llull, on 7 May 2020, issued a report proposing to amend the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety), approved by the Management Board of the Institut Ramon in an Agreement on 11 December 2019 and published by means of a resolution handed down by the director of the Institut Ramon Llull on 19 December 2019 (Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia (DOGC) no. 8030, of 24 December 2019).

This report proposes that the current rules be amended to eliminate the maximum number of applications that may be submitted, which is presently two, and allow applicants to submit an unlimited number of applications in all calls published in 2020.

It also indicates the need to give this amendment to the rules, as it benefits the people concerned, retroactive effects, in which case it shall also apply to the first call, which is now open,



published in the Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia (DOGC) no. 8047, of 22 January 2020, and currently in the application phase.

At present, and in accordance with the third additional provision of Royal Decree 463/2020, of 14 March, the deadline for submitting applications as part of the first call is hereby suspended. Once this suspension has been lifted, the deadline for submitting applications shall be reinstated, and there shall plenty of time to submit new applications. On this basis, anyone who submitted an application prior to the declaration of the state of alarm shall have sufficient time to submit a new application, in the event they are interested. As a result, no applicant shall be given unfair treatment, as everyone shall have the same opportunities.

Given the Agreement of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull Consortium of 15 May 2020, approving the amendment of the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety).

Using the powers invested in me by article 13.2.e) of the Statutes of the Institut Ramon Llull, I hereby

Resolve:

To publish, in the Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia, the Agreement of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull Consortium of 15 May 2020, approving the amendment of the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety).

#### Admissible Appeals

This resolution does not exhaust the administrative channels for appeal and, in accordance with articles 121 and 122 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the common administrative procedure for public administrations, an appeal for the matter to be passed to a higher authority may be lodged with the Chairperson of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull Consortium within a period of one month, in accordance with the third additional provision, section 1, of Royal Decree 463/2020, of 14 March, declaring the state of alarm for the management of the health crisis situation caused by COVID-19, from the moment the aforementioned Royal Decree and its extensions are no longer valid.

Barcelona, 18 May 2020

Iolanda Batallé Prats

Director of the Institut Ramon Llull

Agreement



of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull Consortium of 15 May 2020, approving the amendment of the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety).

In accordance with Article 4.3.i) of the Statutes of the Institut Ramon Llull, as regards the purpose of the Institute concerning the awarding of grants and financial aid based on the criteria of publicity, competitive tendering and objectivity, and the applicable regulations,

Given the terms of Article 11.f) of the Statutes of the Institut Ramon Llull regarding the authority to approve the rules governing public calls for grants and financial aid, the Management Board

HEREBY AGREES:

1. To amend the rules governing the awarding of grants for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety), approved by the Management Board in an Agreement on 11 December 2019 and published by means of a resolution handed down by the director of the Institut Ramon Llull on 19 December 2019 (Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia (DOGC) no. 8030, of 24 December 2019), as follows:

*- Where it stated:*

*6. Applications*

*6.1. Applicants may submit a maximum of two applications per call.*

*- It shall be changed to:*

*6. Applications*

*6.1. Applicants may submit more than one application per call.*

2. To give these rules retroactive effects, whereby they apply to the resolution of 9 January 2020 opening the first call for the awarding of grants, on the basis of competitive tendering, for the translation of original works of literature and philosophy in Catalan and Occitan (in its Aranese variety) (Official Gazette of the Government of Catalonia (DOGC) no. 8047, of 22 January 2020). (ref. BDNS 491356)