

## Routes into Languages Event Report

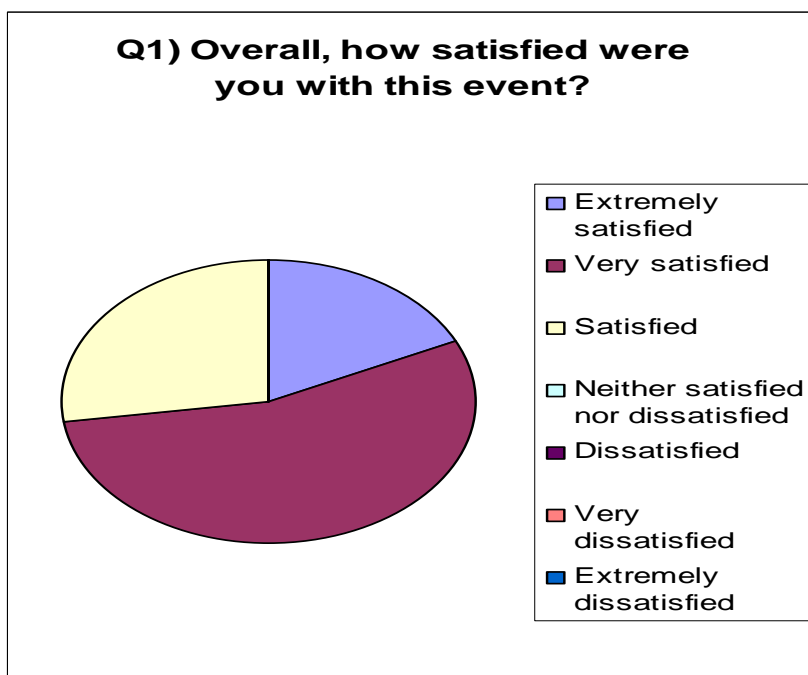
Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010: “Careers in Translation and Interpreting” at the University of Salford.

Of the eighty two people who attended the event, twenty-two submitted a completed evaluation questionnaire. The feedback gathered from these questionnaires was highly positive and is given in more detail below.

In the answer to the first question, “Overall, how satisfied were you with this event?” the responses were as follows:

- 4 participants were extremely satisfied
- 12 were very satisfied
- 6 were satisfied

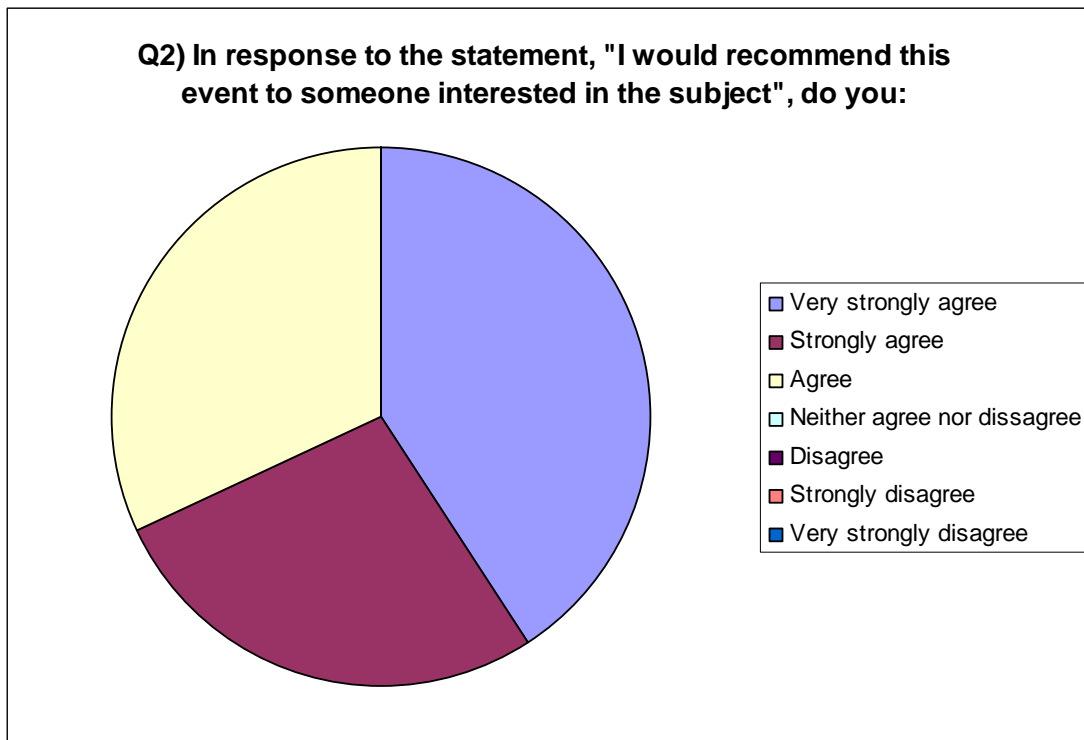
No participant indicated that they were any less than satisfied and the responses can be expressed in a pie chart as follows:



The participants were also asked as to what extent they agreed or disagreed with the statement, "I would recommend this event to someone interested in the subject". The responses to this second question were as follows:

- 9 participants very strongly agreed
- 6 participants strongly agreed
- 7 participants agreed with the statement

Once, no participant indicated any negative feedback in regard to the event with no responses given disagreeing with the above statement. As a pie chart, the responses may be expressed as follows:



The participants were also asked to briefly describe aspects of the event which they liked. In response to this third question, 9% of the respondents indicated that they particularly liked receiving information regarding the European Commission and Parliament, while 41% of the respondents stated that they enjoyed learning about interpreting. Just under 23% of the

respondents stated that they particularly liked the event's comprehensive overview and variety of topics and 18% found the information and advice very practical. Finally, a further 9% of the respondents found the input from other institutions and bodies very helpful.

The participants were asked to indicate any aspects of the event which they felt could be improved. In response to this question, 13% indicated that the refreshments available could have been better whilst each of the following possible improvements were mentioned by one respondent:

- More information could have been clearly available with regard to post-graduate training
- The event programme could have been made available in advance
- More information regarding the National Network for Interpreting could have been given
- More could have been said about interpreting in general
- Audio files from interpreting sessions or hard copy examples of translations could have been presented

Furthermore, 59% of the respondents indicated that the event required no improvement.

Finally, the participants were asked whether they would be more or less likely to consider a career in translation and/or interpreting following the event. 14 of the 22 respondents who submitted an evaluation questionnaire stated that they were more likely to consider a career in translation and/or interpreting following the event, whilst 7 respondents indicated that they were as likely to do so as they were before the event. Only one respondent indicated that they

were now less likely to consider a career in translation and/or interpreting.

These responses can be expressed as follows:

