

Video access: Erica West Oyedele, Black female, is sitting in her office in front of a wall with a soft green background; the white office door is visible to her left. She is wearing a blue shirt with an off-white cardigan.

Transcript:

Hello, I have a brief announcement. I want to tell you what's going on with ITOC. ITOC is the RID member section for Interpreters and Translators of Color. I have 3 announcements.

First, we just established a new website so that you can view vlogs and blogs from the ITOC council. Its a way for us to regularly communicate with you to let you know what we've been working on and what we will be working on in the future. Our goal is to build our relationship with ITOC members.

Second, ITOC has been utilizing Yahoo for our email communications. Many of the RID member sections have already transitioned from using Yahoo to Google which has been more effective for communicating with members so we have decided to follow suite. If you are already a member receiving messages through the Yahoo group you will automatically be transitioned to Google. If you are not an ITOC member you can visit your RID account and select to join ITOC. RID's office will send us names of new members who will then be added to our group email distribution list. Both the vlogs and emails are our ways of keeping in touch with you.

Last and definitely not least, ITOC hopes to have a presence at each of the regional conferences that are scheduled for this year. However, we currently have vacancies on the ITOC council, for regions 1, 3 & 4 we have no Region Representatives. This means that if you are interested in volunteering your time to you could help us by being involved. Perhaps by facilitating a discussion. Please let us know if you are interested.

If you want to be even more involved with ITOC let us know that too and we can provide you with information related to joining the ITOC council. We're happy to share that information with you.

So that's it we have a new website, we are migrating from Yahoo to Google and we need your help. The link to the website is posted within the blog and if you are interested in being involved as a region rep or in volunteering your time at the regional conferences there is an attachment to this message as well. Be sure to click there for more information. If you are interested in serving contact our secretary.

We plan to post more vlogs in the future, and not just from me, but from the various ITOC council members to keep in touch with you. Thank you, goodbye!