

NORLA – Norwegian Literature Abroad, promotes the export of Norwegian literature through active profiling work and translation subsidies.

The organisation disseminates knowledge about Norwegian books and authors abroad, and operations are financed by the Norwegian Ministry of Culture.

NORLA was founded in 1978, and has since 2004 contributed to translations of close to 5,500 Norwegian books into 66 languages.

What does NORLA do?

- Facilitates contact between Norwegian authors/publishers and foreign translators, publishers, universities and others with an interest in Norwegian literature.
- Offers funding schemes all of which are aimed at promoting the translation of Norwegian books.
- Subsidises foreign publishers' translations of Norwegian publications. In order to be eligible for subsidies, titles must first have been published by a Norwegian publisher.
- Awards production grants for children's and young adult's picture books/illustrated novels/graphic novels and illustrated non-fiction.
- Organises seminars in Norway and abroad for publishers.
- Offers competency-enhancing programmes for translators, such as seminars in Norway and abroad, and schemes such as the translators hotel and mentor programmes.
- Subsidises sample translations.
- Provides funding for book launch trips and author presentations abroad.
- Provides funding for visits of authors and lecturers to institutions of higher learning abroad offering Norwegian language instruction.
- Provides travel funding to Norway for foreign press, publishers and translators.
- Participates in international book fairs.
- Provides personal advice and guidance to translators and others who visit the office.



NORLA's funding schemes:

Translation subsidies:

- Translation subsidy for Norwegian fiction and non-fiction titles
- Translation subsidy into other Nordic languages
- Translation of contemporary drama (administered by the Writer's Guild of Norway)
- Sample translations
- Anthologies or journals

Production grants:

- Production grant for illustrated non-fiction
- Production grants for children's and young adult's picture books/illustrated novels/graphic novels

Organisers abroad can apply for travel grants for Norwegian authors and lecturers:

- Book launches and author presentations abroad
- Visits to institutions of higher learning abroad
- Festivals or conferences abroad (Funds that NORLA allocates on behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Funding for foreign translators, publishers and press:

- Travel grant for visits to Norway

Funding for foreign translators:

- Translators Hotel
- Mentor scheme
- Sample translation from a selected Norwegian title
- Study grant for large-scale translation projects

For more information visit:
www.norla.no/en/subsidies