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THE IoL EDUCATIONAL TRUST

THE INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA IN BILINGUAL COMMUNICATION (IDBC)

The International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC) has been developed to take the place of the Final Diploma in English and Chinese (FDEC) with effect from 2008.

IDBC	Detail
Module 1: Summary in Chinese - 2 ½ hours	Focused summary in Chinese based on specific brief in Chinese and using dossier of 3-5 authentic texts in English
Module 2: Business Writing and Communications in English - 2 ½ hours	Report/summary/outline in English based on a brief in English and material in Chinese. Written business communications in English.
Module 3: Translation - 3 hours	Translation into English and Chinese (1½ hours for each translation)
Module 4 : Interpreting - 50 minutes	Consecutive Liaison Interpreting: 10 minutes preparation time and 20 minutes interpreting Sight Translation: 5 minutes preparation time, 5 minutes sight translation in each language
ALL PAPERS PASSED: CERTIFICATE AWARDED	
<i>OPTIONAL:</i> Module 5 WRITTEN PROJECT OR PRESENTATION MODULE	<i>Written Project (c.3000 words) or Oral presentation on work-related topic followed by question and answers. Certificate endorsed with topic of project or presentation</i>

Sample Papers for the International Diploma in Bilingual Communication (IDBC)

Please find below links to sample papers for the four compulsory modules of the IDBC (revised FDEC) examination. These papers are only samples and, as such, are designed to provide guidelines on the format of the examination. They may therefore be subject to minor amendments. Please note that the examinations will include material from a wide range of topics, relevant to a business and/or professional context.

The sample papers are in English and Chinese (Simplified and Traditional scripts).

Simplified	Traditional
- Module 1	- Module 1a
- Module 2	- Module 2a
- Module 3	- Module 3a
- Module 4	- Module 4a