

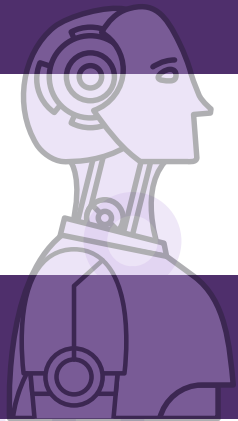
# MC CONFLUENCE

Translation Conference in the Capital Area

## Roots and Routes: Possibilities in the Art and Science of Translation

**Saturday, March 25, 2023**

**Montgomery College Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus**



**12:00 pm – 12:45 pm Keynote Speaker - Room HC222**

**Riding the Wave: How to Navigate and Embrace Changes without Getting Wet**

**Presenter: Mery Molenaar**

Whether we like it or not, technology is changing the way we work. For translators and interpreters, ignoring AI and Machine Translation (MT) is not an option, but if we can stay open and curious by exploring what presents itself, we can ride the waves of change rather than struggle against it. In her keynote speech, Mery will look at the changes that the T&I industry has experienced in the past and those that are happening right now. Translators and interpreters who are aware of upcoming changes will find the opportunities that exist if you know where to look. Mery will share valuable insights and practical tips on how to stay afloat and how to approach the future with an open mind. We can never be future-proof, but we can be future-ready.



### **Presenter Biographical information:**

**Mery Molenaar** is a certified freelance English-to-Dutch translator specializing in technical documents, IT and medical devices. Prior to starting her career as a translator, Mery worked as a science and math teacher for several years in the Netherlands, Tanzania and the US. In 2003, she cofounded the school for Dutch Language and Culture 'De Petteflet' in Colorado and got involved in language education.

Mery has an MS in physics from the University of Colorado at Boulder, a BTr from Hogeschool West-Nederland and a BEd in math and physics education from Hogeschool Holland. She is certified by the American Translators Association (ATA) for translations from English into Dutch, and currently serves as the administrator of ATA's Science & Technology Division as well as a grader for the ATA certification exam. Please feel free to visit her website <https://molenaartranslations.com> for more information.



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