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Profile



Date of birth: Started translating: Native language: Other languages: Main specialisms: 21 February 1985 2010 English (UK) Spanish, French, Japanese, Portuguese Legal, IT, European Union

I am an experienced translator with excellent research skills and a comprehensive knowledge of terminology in my specialist areas. I have been translating on a freelance basis since 2010, and I also have 10 years of full-time experience working in translation project management roles, up to Head of Project Management, which has contributed to my wide range of expert-level skills and knowledge.

Transcreation/copywriting

Services offered

- ✓ Translation
- Revision
 - 🗸 Subtitling
 - Post-editing

- OCR and file preparation
- File alignment/TM creation
- Termbase creation

Software and tools

Editing

SDL Studio	Expert user	ABBYY FineReader	Advanced user
SDL Multiterm	Advanced user	Verifika	Advanced user
MS Word	Expert user	Aegisub	Advanced user
MS Excel	Expert user	Visual Basic	Intermediate user
MS PowerPoint	Advanced user	Regex	Intermediate User

Key achievements

- While acting as Head of Operations, led Surrey Translation Bureau to win the ITI Corporate Member of the Year Award.
- Hosted webinars and training sessions on file manipulation and preparation in MS Word.
- ✓ Speaker at ITI Conference 2017.
- Managed over 20 translation project managers, training them on IT, project management and linguistic skills.

June 2010 – Present:

Freelance Translator (ES-EN, FR-EN, JA-EN, PT-EN) Self-employed

I have been working as a freelance translator since 2010. Initially I worked part-time alongside a full-time project management role before starting work as a full-time freelance translator in November 2020. I have worked on a range of projects, including contracts, regulations, computer interfaces, court judgments, maintenance manuals, and press releases.

June 2010 – November 2020: Translation Project Manager / Head of Project Management Surrey Translation Bureau

I worked at Surrey Translation Bureau, initially as a Translation Project Manager, before earning promotion to the role of Head of Project Management, as well as providing maternity cover for the Head of Translation Operations role. During my employment here, I learned about the role of the freelance translator within a project, as well as the needs and expectations of translation clients. I also learned how to create and manipulate TMs and termbases, OCR and prepare pdf files for use in CAT tools, and solve both common and obscure software problems.

Education and qualifications

- MA in Translation and Professional Language Skills (Bath)
- Qualified Member of the Institute of Translation and Interpreting
- JLPT N2 qualification in Japanese
- BA in Modern Languages and European Studies (Bath)
- Certified user of SDL Studio 2017

Interests and hobbies

- Computers and gaming
- Football
- Reading
- Learning languages
- Music

Rates available upon request