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Technical translator Information Technology - Consulting English to French

TRANSLATION ENVIRONMENT

- Computer aided translation: Trados 7, Fortis, IBM's Translation Manager;
- Desktop productivity tools: Microsoft Office XP;
- DSL connexion.

EDUCATION

Master's Degree in technical translation (with honours). Denis Diderot University, Paris, 2004. *Final paper on peer to peer networks*.

Engineering Degree in Computer Science. INSA (Institut National des Sciences Appliquées – National Institute for Applied Sciences), Lyon, 1992.

I spent the academic year 1990-91 at McGill University, Montréal.

EXPERIENCE

2004 - present: Freelance technical translator

- Technical and general translation.
 Recent works include:
 - Trouble shooting guide for a configuration management software;
 - User guide for tape storage system;
 - User guide and administrator guide for an internet security software suite;
 - > Numerous presentations for a **world leading consulting** firm in the areas of Marketing & Sales, Manufacturing and Customer Care;
 - White papers about the telecom industry;
- Daily output: 3,000 words;
- I also teach the **localisation class** of the master program at Paris University (40 hours/year).

2003 - 2004: Technical translator trainee at GEDEV (1 year)

• Technical and general translation, proofreading (IBM, Peoplesoft, Bull, Ricoh, EADS, Alcatel ...).

1992 - 2003: ACCENTURE - IT consulting firm - Senior Manager (11 years)

Various IT engagements with national and international clients in the insurance industry:

1998 -2003: Specialized in the implementation of post merger data migration projects:

- AXA NL (Amsterdam);
- Natio Vie / CARDIF merger (subsidiary of BNP Paribas);
- Aviva (CGNU / Norwich Union merger);
- AGF / ALLIANZ merger

Role and responsibilities:

- Financial planning and Program Management Office for large data migration programs;
- Preparation of tenders;
- In charge of a large delivery project (migration of 1.6 millions insurance policies): 3 000 p.d./ 30 FTE fixed fees project.

1992 -1998: System renovation programs:

- AXA Re (Subsidiary of AXA Paris);
- PREDICA (Life Insurance subsidiary of Crédit Agricole Paris / Toronto);
- Médéric Prévoyance (Pension fund Paris);
- Pacific Bell (San Ramon, California).

Role and responsibilities:

- Financial planning and estimation;
- Requirement analysis, functional requirements;
- Supervision and training;
- Integration testing and user acceptance tests;
- Technical design and build.

LANGUAGES

- English: working language;
- German and Spanish: basic knowledge.

SPECIAL INTEREST

- Mountain climbing:
 - Alpinism (rock climbing, ice climbing, mountaineering, ski mountaineering);
 - Cross country skiing (several trips in arctic regions);
 - ➤ « Round the World Mountain Tour » from May to December 2005, including the ascent of six summits above 20 000 feet.
- Aviation: licensed glider pilot.