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technical and commercial translator

English - French

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professional background

April 1996 - 2007 Freelance translator

Since 1996 I have been offering translation, reviewing, technical writing, and project management services for direct customers or translation agencies, together with other freelance translators for large or medium size projects. My vision of an independant activity is team-oriented and focused on the willingness to proactively and efficiently manage the various aspects of the projects I work on and to pay special attention to communication, consistency and quality. Specialised in computer software and hardware, I translate from English to French all types of technical documents (interfaces, manuals, online help systems) and commercial material (marketing brochure, data sheets, Web sites). I also carry out glossary creation, DTP, screenshots capture and integration and quality assurance tasks.

December 1995 - January 1996 Job for INTUIT in the United States

Intuit employed me to carry out tests on ebooks generated from printed manuals.

August 1993 - November 1995 Translator and project manager for GECAP SARL

I was employed to work for this localisation agency as a translator (software interfaces, online help systems, documentations, marketing material). After one year, I upgraded to work as junior project manager on medium size localisation projects: project quoting, style guide creation, process definition, terminology, help compiling, DTP, screenshots capture and integration, management of external resources and quality assurance.

areas of expertise

→ Computer Software & Hardware

Office Software, Graphical Software, Personal Finance, ERP, Networks, Telecommunications, Security Software, Backup and Disk Manangement Software, DBMS, CAD, DTP, Development Environments, Web sites, e-commerce, Internet marketing

- → Insurance/Reinsurance
- → Music software, Home studio

references

Translation and Localization

→ Long-term collaboration (several years, +500,000 words) with Intuit/ISE (Quicken, QuickBooks), Microsoft (various Microsoft products, Windows Update, training materials), Visio, Google (Web sites, online advertising programs, marketing materials), Symantec (NIS).

→ Other projects for Adobe, Autodesk, Bull, Canon, Cisco, Delrina, Gupta, HP, HPC, Kodak, Lexmark, Matranet, Network Associates, Novell, PowerQuest, SAT, SolidWorks, Unigraphics, WordPerfect, WRQ.

Technical writing

Intuit, ISE.

education

1993 E.S.I.T. (Ecole Supérieure de Traducteurs et Interprètes)

Editorial, Business, and Technical Translation diploma

Languages: French - English - German

Business/insurance-oriented

1992 Maîtrise de traduction, E.S.I.T.

1990 Language Diploma (L.E.A. - Langues Etrangères Appliquées),

Paris I V University

French - English - German

hardware & software

Network Pentium IV, 3.2 GHz, 1 GB RAM, 80 GB HD, 19" monitor

Pentium III, 600 MHz, 512 MB RAM, 9 GB HD, 19" monitor

Internet DSL, AntiVirus, and Firewall (NIS)

Backups external disk drive 256 GB

Printers HP LaserJet PostScript & HP Deskjet 3820 series

Operating system Windows XP Pro

Software MS Office, FrameMaker 7.1, Trados 5.5, 6.5, and 7.5, HelpQA

tools

Extensive skills & knowledge: Word, Excel, Trados, TagEditor, Helium, MS Locstudio, Catalyst QuickShip, FrameMaker

Good experience: PhotoShop, Paint Shop, HelpQA, PageMaker, Access, MS Project, Pebbles, Developper Studio