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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A highly talented Translator with huge experience in translating documents and other materials; deep track record of reading materials and rewriting them; following established rules pertaining to factors such as word meanings, sentence structure, text organization, grammar, punctuation; using translation and localization technologies.

Languages pair

- English to Arabic; Arabic to English
- French to Arabic; Arabic to French
- English to French; French to English

Core Competences

- Translation
- Computational linguistics
- E-learning engineering and management
- Educational technologies
- Knowledge mediation
- Foreign languages acquisition

Translation domains

- Journalistic / politics / publishing / sports / media / broadcasting / history / geography / tourism / instructions / manuals / Linguistics / Education / training
- Technical / IT / communications / internet / multimedia / computers
- Certificates / diplomas
- Business / banking / real estate / insurance and financial services
- Medical / hospitality
- Advertisement / marketing / agriculture / arts / automotive / financial / economics
- Cooking / food / beverages / fashion / clothing / health and beauty
- Film / theatre
- Psychology / psychiatry / social sciences / religion

Working hours

- Five hours per day
- Three days per week

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Faculty of languages and translation – Minya University, Minya, Egypt – 1998-Present

ACADEMIC STAFF

*Serve as Assistant lecturer then lecturer and now as Assistant Professor in the French department.
Coordinator of the Quality Assurance Committee.*

Member of the Translation Unit.

Teach French-Arabic translation, translation technologies, introduction to linguistics, syntactic theories, discourse analysis, business French, French grammar and phonetics and Arabic syntax. Research in French-Arabic contrastive syntactic analysis. Translate in the translation Unit of the faculty.

Key contributions as a professional translator

- Translation of documents such as administrative documents, certificates and diplomas, contracts, reports, brochures, correspondence.
- Interpreted at the faculty international conference.
- Revision and proofreading.
- Describing the faculty's quality assurance policies for foreign languages acquisition and translation courses.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Other experience includes

- Educational Manager, Center of multimedia resources and self learning – French University in Egypt – Feb 2008 – July 2008
- Animator of seminar on computer-aided tools and a workshop on using *Wordfast* as a translation memory tool – French cultural center in Cairo – Jun 2008
- Subtitling of documentary from Arabic into French, Agence capa television – Jan. 2005

EDUCATION

Master in E-learning Management • Paris 3 – Sorbonne Nouvelle University, France

PhD in Formal and computational linguistics • Paris 7 – Denis Diderot University, France

Master in French language and Education • Grenoble 3 – Stendhal University, France

MPhil in French linguistics • Ein Shams University, Egypt

Bachelor in French language and translation • Ein Shams University, Egypt

Diploma in Assistance and Management • Information Technology Institute, IDCS, Egypt

External evaluation of higher education institutes • NAQAEE, Egypt

LINGUISTIC COMPETENCES

Arabic • Mother tongue

French • Effective Operational Mastery

English • Effective Operational Proficiency

COMPUTER COMPETENCES

Website development • Markup languages (XHTML, XML, CSS), Javascript, softwares : FrontPage, Dreamwaver and Kompozer

Graphics design • GIMP and Photoshop

Microsoft Package • Word, Excel, Power Point, Access, Publisher

E-learning • Data base management (PHP/MySQL, Access), Educational platforms (Moodle, WebCT/Blackboard and ATutor), Object Learning and Metadata (Reload, LomPad)

Languages industry • Functional and logic Programming languages (Perl, Prolog), Computer-aided translation (Wordfast, SDL Trados suite, Similis), Ontology editor (Protégé), Lexical Markup Framework standard, linguistic platform (Nooj)

QUALIFICATIONS

- Thirteen years of Translating document experience.
- Superb command of idiomatic French and Arabic language and grammar.
- Extensive knowledge of vocabulary in both languages.
- Extremely high level of fluency in Arabic and French as well as command of English.
- Ability to edit and review other translations.
- Sound interpreting skills.
- Excellent computer skills.
- Uncommon ability to work independently to solve problems while demonstrating good organizational skills.
- Unmatchable willingness and skills in research activities.
- Ability to work in a team environment.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDENTIALS

- [Associate Researcher](#) – Modyco laboratory – Paris X University – France
- Member of the Egyptian National Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Education Committee for fixing National Academic Reference Standards (NARS) for Bachelor Degree in languages and translation faculties
- Association for Natural languages processing (ATALA), France
- Association of the Master AIGEME, France
- Association of Egyptian computational linguists, Egypt
- Foundation of technological and human development, Egypt
- Cairo linguists group, Egypt