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### **RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE**

Sept 2001 - present

I am a qualified translator with many years' experience. Initially I worked as a technical translator in market research (medical and pharmaceutical), but also in the business and finance sectors. Later I developed an interest in academic and literary translation, both fiction and non-fiction. Because of this, in 2014 I started a small publishing company to publish translations of Italian female writers (Calisi Press, [www.calisipress.com](http://www.calisipress.com)), for which I translated Donatella Di Pietrantonio's first novel, *My Mother Is a River*, published in November 2015, and Donatella's second novel, *Bella Mia*, published in November 2016. Although my publishing venture was not a commercial success, the novels and their translations received very positive public and peer reviews and they remain a source of great professional pride to me.

I currently work with both agencies and direct clients. My commercial work mainly consists of annual financial statements and related financial documents, but also other business/ financial as well as marketing topics. I also work on food and travel materials, subjects that allow me to combine my professional expertise with areas of strong personal interest, and have translated two cookery books as well as several food and travel articles and websites.

### **EDUCATIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**

2008 - BA (Open) (Modular degree course)

2007 – Certificate in Accounting (Open)

2011 – Institute of Linguists Diploma in Translation (Italian into English)

2016 – Post-graduate Diploma in Professional Writing, Metropolitan University, London

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS' MEMBERSHIPS**

I am a Qualified Member of ITI - Institute of Translators and Interpreters (Membership No. 00005239).

### **SOFTWARE**

In addition to Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and PowerPoint), I regularly work with MemoQ and XTM.