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# **EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS**

- Direction of translation: Multilingual Middle Eastern languages and English <> Arabic, German
  Arabic, and English <> German.
- Multilingual: Mother language English and Arabic, excellent in German, fluent in Italian. Good knowledge of Dutch and French.
- Experience with editing and proofreading of legal translated material, patents, technical publications and scientific articles.
- Can use all Graphics applications: Adobe InDesign / Quark Express / Adobe Acrobate 9.0 / Adobe Illustrator / Adobe Photoshop / Framemaker.
- Extensive experience with MS Office, Wordfast, Trados Studio 2017, Windows and Mac OS.
- Skilled in web design, Arabic voice-over. Familiarity with use of voice / sound transmission system during conferences.
- Research Skills: Exceptionally good expertise with Molecular Biology and Microbiology experimental techniques.

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### 2005-Present:

# **Afaf Translations**

Specialized in Remote interpreting using Zoom and Kudos. Arabic conference interpreter and translator in educational, scientific, pharmaceutical, and medical field. Experienced voice-over and directing Arabic talents. In-house interpreter or travel to San Francisco Bay area. Also, specialized in medical / legal interpreting for depositions, doctor's office visits, healthcare companies, and hospitals.

Medical/scientific and technical translator (Multilingual Middle Eastern Languages Arabic, German<>English). Excellent expertise in translation of research/medical/clinical trial surveys, legal contracts, technical manuals, IT, Microsoft, birth certificates, business, and educational documents, and transcriptions.

Experience in project management, coordination, and Desktop Publishing.

# Sample list of Translation and interpreting projects:

- US State Department Arabic interpreter-Afaf Steiert on the approved list of US State Department for Arabic consecutive interpreters in-person and virtual.
- Remote conference interpreting for San Diego County Planning and Development public meetings.
- Arabic interpreter at Minister of Interior Award, **Dubai**, UAE.
- Arabic interpreter at **San Francisco** Legal Services for Children.
- Simultaneous Arabic conference interpreter at **Sacramento** Capitol rally and conference to End Domestic Violence in California.

- USDA Arabic interpreter in Sacramento area for Cochran program.
- Arabic simultaneous and consecutive interpreting for Saudi Arabian entrepreneurs visiting **Silicon Valley Innovation Center**.
- Contract with **U.S Civilian Research and Development Foundation** for translating scientific, educative, and technical Power Points Presentations over 5000,000 words.
- Translated from EG<>AR **pharmaceutical and medical patents** 2000,000 words for the different pharmaceutical companies and oil companies.
- Five years contract with **State of California**, translation projects contract, for over 300,000 words.
- Translating Software IT Manuals over 4000,000 words.
- Translated EG>AR survey for **University State of San Francisco**.
- Arabic Interpreting for sports tour delegation to Washington with US department of State.
- Arabic Conference Interpreter, for the Chief justice of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan study tour.
- Simultaneous interpreting at the Nuclear and Drug Smuggling training workshop, Richland, Washington.
- American Language training for Arabic Language Proficiency Tester.
- Conference Interpreter for Egyptian study tour at the California State University.
- Conference Interpreter for two-accreditation study tours at the California State University.
- Simultaneous Arabic interpreter for **DentPro Company**.
- Accompanied an Egyptian teachers study tour in California as AERA conference simultaneous and consecutive interpreter.

2002-2005:

#### **Alnis BioSciences**

Senior Research Associate. Performed all in vitro assays to screen for oncology drug delivery. Freelance Biomedical sciences translator.

2001-2002:

# California State Public Health Department

Microbiologist. Performed regular viral samples screening with PCR and molecular biology methods.

1998-2001:

# El-Cerrito and Albany Community Centers and Freelance Scientific Translator

Fee-Class Coordinator, Adult Arabic Class Teacher.

1993-1994:

# Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, University of California, USA

Research associate at the Human Genome Center.

Involved in Human and Drosophila genome automated sequencing.

1992-1993:

# Friedrich Miescher Institute, University of Basel, Basel, Switzerland

Master (diploma) work in Plant Molecular Biology.

1991-1992:

# (Novartis) Ciba-Geigy, Pharmaceutical Division, Biotechnology Department, Basel, Switzerland

Trainee in the Microbial Chemistry Laboratories.

Screening Streptomyces sp. and analyzing its secondary metabolites.

#### **Certifications**

**November 2019:** KUDOS certified for online interpreting. **June 2017:** ProHIPAA certification # 14841890143708

**December 2016:** Certified Arabic-English translator, Certified by ATN-APTS.

**September 2016**: Speaker at TAHIT (Texas Association for Healthcare Interpreters and Translators)

Symposium 2016, Fort Worth, Texas.

#### **Education**

March 2012: Completed NCTA workshop for Introduction to Conference Interpreting.

**September 2011:** Attended Nevada interpreters and translators' association workshop for simultaneous interpreting.

March 2010: Attended Conference Terminology & Procedures course, Dr. Lynn Vison at Monterey Institute for International Studies.

**April 6, 2010:** The language Center certification of demonstrated compliance to all criteria outlined in SOP Translator Database Development and Maintenance in German-English-Arabic

**April 18-25, 2009**: Certificate of completion as an Arabic Conference Interpreter for the Chief justice of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan study tour.

**July 2009**: Certification of attendance the ATA/ATISDA Medical Translation Seminar, San Diego.

**July 21-23, 2008**: Certificate of completion and appreciation for Arabic Conference Interpreting at the Mega ports familiarization training for the Egyptian delegation. Second line of Defence Program, Richland, Washington

# 1992-1993:

Diploma (Master) thesis in the group of Prof.Dr.H.Hohn, Friedrich Miescher Institute, University of Basel, Switzerland. Detecting the polyadenylation sites of carrot Beta-fructosidase gene.

#### 1987-1991:

B.Sc. major microbiology. Excellent grade for the last two years.

Alexandria University, Egypt.

# 1975-1987:

Elementary and high school graduation from English private school (E.G.C.), science department, Alexandria, Egypt.

# **Memberships**

**NCTA** Member, (Northern California Translators Association), Arab Professional Translators Society Member, **ATA** Member, (American Translators Association), Leadership council member at ATA-TCD, ALC Member (American Language companies Association), ATN-APTS member and certified, (Arab Professional Translators Society),

**ASTM** International member

<sup>\*\*</sup>References upon request