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Brief Introduction

Experienced (Austrian) German to (British) English translator focusing on financial market supervision law. Has worked with customers within the Austrian public and private sectors and has been involved in translation of all aspects of banking supervision and resolution – from the cradle (authorisation/licensing) to the grave (orderly wind-down in resolution) since 2014. Translation of a wide variety of primary and secondary Austrian legislation, soft law instruments, as well as web content and financial literacy information. LangTech savvy, pre-dominantly as a power user of Trados and MultiTerm (since 2004) but also advocate of professional translators remaining as Experts in the Lead (XITL) in the human-machine translation era and advocating the preservation of human translators and interpreters. Personal translation blog (www.transl8r.eu) “In-house translation – outside the box”

Translation-related professional experience

Austrian Financial Market Authority, Vienna

09.2014 - present

Specialist, Translation (German to English) & Linguistic Quality Assurance,
Horizontal Banking Supervision Division, Banking Supervision Department

Freelance translator, Vienna

08.2000 – 09.2014

German to English translator specialising in the following areas:

- banking and legal texts for several of Austria’s largest financial institutions (banks and investment firms).
- ionising smoke detectors, nursecall systems, access control systems.

Education

University of St Andrews, Fife, Scotland

09.1995 – 06.2000

MA(Hons) in Modern Languages (French/German) With Integrated Year Abroad,
2.i with Distinction in spoken German

Taunton School, Taunton, Somerset

09.1990 – 07.1995

A-Levels in French, German and Latin

Additional A-Level modules in French for Professional Use

Memberships of Associations, Committees and Working Groups:

- **Austrian National Editor for European Banking Authority (EBA) Guidelines**
working closely with subject matter legal specialists from the FMA, Bundesbank, and BaFin.
- **Arbeitsgruppe Gouvernmentaler Übersetzer:innen und Terminolog:innen (ARG-GUT)**
National Working Group on Translation and Terminology in Government Ministries and Agencies
- **Chartered Institute of Linguists (CIOL)**
Member of the Chartered Institute of Linguists (MCIL) since December 2023.
Chartered Linguist (Translation) since October 2025.
- **ESCB External Communications Working Group on Translation and Production (ECCO WG T&P)**
Also member of its informal Machine Translation working group.
- **European Commission DGT Translation German Translators Network**
Member of informal network of German translators in public administration
- **European Trados User Group (ETUG)**
Participant / Personal Member of the association since 2016.

- **Universitas Austria – Interpreters’ and Translators’ Association**
Ordinary Member since 2020. Moderator of the network for in-house translators.

Active participation at national and international conferences and meetings (Speaker/Moderator/Panellist)

ASTTI Financial Translation Summer Conference (Spiez 1-3 July 2026)

Presentation on “Successfully Managing a One-Person Translation Department “One Linguist, Many Masters to Serve”

Abstract: <https://www.transl8r.eu/2026/04/02/abstract-astti-financial-translation-summer-conference-in-spiez-1-july-2026/>

Eurosystem of Central Banks – ECCO Working Group on Translation & Production (Riga, 19 June 2026)

Presentation “Clouds on the horizon for CAT tools?” Brief summary of ETUG Bitesize Sessions

NGO Committee on Language and Languages (CoLL) Symposium (Online 8 May 2026)

Panellist in panel: “Is AI Use Changing the Role of Translators? Implications for Education, Culture and Ethics”

Moderator: Alison Rodriguez, other panellists: Joss Moorkens, Marija Todorova (summary

Eurosystem of Central Banks – ECCO Working Group on Translation & Production (Online, 21 November 2025)

Presentation to working group “*Translators in Language Services: the need for Experts in the Lead*”

Austrian Translators and Interpreters Association – Universitas, (Online 23 October 2025)

Presentation on Project and Process Management as part of Universitas’ series “Berufsbilder” focussing on working as a translator „Berufsbilder von Translator:innen – Folge 13: Projekt- und Prozessmanagement”

ECCO Working Group on Translation and Production –meeting on LangTech (Online, 8 October 2025)

Brief presentation “*Professional Translators x Cutting Edge Tools*” about use cases presented at ETUG 2025 (see [summary on ETUG website](#))

European Language Data Space, LDS Country Workshop in Austria (Vienna, 15 September 2025)

Panel on *Language Data and Language Technologies in Austria and for German*

XXIII FIT World Congress (Geneva 4-6 September 2025)

Presentation on “Breaking the Loop: the need for Experts in the Lead in the Translation Profession”

Presentation and background paper available upon request

Abstract: FIT2025 or <https://www.transl8r.eu/2025/04/27/abstract-xxiii-fit-world-congress-4-6-september-2025-in-geneva/>

DG Translation Netzwerk-Treffen (Berlin, 13-14 March 2025)

Der Expert in the Lead (XITL)-Ansatz in der menschlich-maschinellen Übersetzung

Presentation given to representatives of language services (in German)

Short presentation on AI in Trados (representing the ETUG Steering Committee)

American Translators Association – German Language Division Workshop (Vienna, 22-23 February 2025)

Keynote speaker on the Expert in the Lead approach to human-machine translation

Slides available upon request (tailored to a predominantly freelance audience)

ASTTI Summer Conference (Spiez 3-5 July 2024)

Workshop speaker on the New Banking Package (CRR3 / CRD6) for German > English Translators

Consisting of an introduction to European banking supervision law, compared with Swiss and Austrian law, followed by a series of stylistic exercises.

Abstract: <https://www.transl8r.eu/2024/04/20/abstract-astti-summer-conference-2024-spiez/>

European Trados User Group (Online 2022; Vienna 2023; Online 2024; Vienna 2025)

Moderator of use case sessions on AI in Trados 2024, Language Weaver Edge, MT workflows in Trados Studio, terminology in Trados with Acolada and a world café session on Trados plugins

Summary of ETUG 2022 session: <https://www.transl8r.eu/2022/09/18/etug-2022-incorporating-etranlation-into-trados-workflows/>

Conference Summary on ETUG Website for ETUG 2025:

<https://europeantradosusergroup.eu/conferences/etug-2025/etug-2025-conference-summary/>

Winter Translation Forum 2022 (WTF22) organised by BP Translation Conference

7-9 December 2022 (Online)

Short talk: Using Trados QA tools to help with inclusive language.

Presentation: https://www.transl8r.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Bailey_WTF22_Prasi.pdf

Guest Lecture to MA Students in Translation – about in-house translation and translation as a career

Organised by Hendrik Bower (ITAT, University of Graz)

24 June 2021 (Online)

Summary: <https://www.transl8r.eu/2021/06/30/talk-given-to-students-at-the-university-of-graz/>

Translation and Interpreting 4.0 – New Ways in the Digital Age

organised by the German Federal Association of Interpreters and Translators (BDÜ)

22-24 November 2019 Bonn, Germany

Presentation and Paper: In-House Translation 4.0—whither centralised language services? The financial market supervision view

Paper published in the conference proceedings - https://www.bdue-fachverlag.de/detail_book/145

EULITA Conference “Status and Recognition of Legal Interpreters and Translators Today”

Sofia, Bulgaria 16-17 March 2018

Presentation: The market for legal translation in Austria: the financial markets supervision perspective

Abstract: [Click here](#)

Building New Skills for Financial Translators

organised by the Joint Vienna Institute (JVI) 30 Nov. – 3 Dec. 2015

Vienna, Austria

Presentation: Language Services at the FMA, a party of one

ESCB External Communications Working Group on Translation and Production (ECCO WG T&P)

Presentations: June 2026 (Awayday – Riga), October 2025 (LangTech Meeting - Virtual), October 2024 (LangTech Meeting – Virtual) June 2016 (Awayday - Zagreb)

DG Translation Netzwerk-Treffen

Speaker: Brussels, March 2015, Berlin, March 2025 (see above)

Panellist: Frankfurt, April 2016

Publications

Wie Bergblick und Seeluft Übersetzer:innen inspirieren, in Universitas Mitteilungsblatt 04/24

- Summary of the ASTTI Financial Translation Summer Conference in Spiez 2024

- Initial thoughts on the “Expert in the Lead” role

Article: https://www.universitas.org/wp-content/uploads/Universitas_424_web.pdf

Fine tuning finance, in ITI Bulletin July-August 2024

Article about working as a banking supervision translator directly in operative supervision, with reflections about the role of in-house translators and the changing job profiles of translators.

Article: electronic copy available upon request

Speaking Topics

- In-house translation in the data-driven era
- Single person language service units (SPLSUs)
- Shadow translation
- Financial and legal translation (specialising in banking supervision)
- Accessibility and inclusive language
- New work
- Expert/linguist in the lead or MITL workflows
- Translation workflows in conjunction with content management systems
- Macros and RegEx in Trados