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## Introduction

The purpose of this European standard is to establish and define the requirements for the provision of quality services by translation service providers.

It encompasses the core translation process and all other related aspects involved in providing the service, including quality assurance and traceability.

This standard offers both translation service providers and their clients a description and definition of the entire service. At the same time it is designed to provide translation service providers with a set of procedures and requirements to meet market needs.

Conformity assessment and certification based on this standard are envisaged.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the requirements for the translation service provider (TSP) with regard to human and technical resources, quality and project management, the contractual framework, and service procedures.

This standard does not apply to interpreting services.

## 2 Terms and Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 2.1

#### **added value services**

services that can be provided by a **TSP** (2.18) in addition to translation services

### 2.2

#### **competence**

demonstrated ability to apply knowledge and skills

[ISO 9000:2000, definition 3.9.12]

### 2.3

#### **document**

information and its supporting medium

[ISO 9000:2000, definition 3.7.2]

### 2.4

#### **interpreting**

rendering of spoken information in the **source language** (2.12) into the **target language** (2.14) in oral form

### 2.5

#### **locale**

linguistic, cultural, technical and geographical conventions of a target audience

### 2.6

#### **proofreading**

checking of proofs before publishing

### 2.7

#### **register**

set of properties that are characteristic of a particular type of linguistic text or speech

### 2.8

#### **review**

examine a **target text** (2.15) for its suitability for the agreed purpose and respect for the conventions of the domain to which it belongs and recommend corrective measures

### 2.9

#### **reviewer**

person who reviews