#### **Curriculum Vitae**

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#### Education

- Master of Arts in General Linguistics, Azad University, Isfahan, Iran.
- Bachelor of Arts in Teaching English as a Foreign Language, Azad University, Isfahan, Iran

# Languages

- **Persian/Farsi** (Mother tongue)
- Dari (Native-like proficiency)
- **English** (Native-like proficiency)
- Arabic (Working knowledge)

# • Professional Background

## ■ May 2016 – date

Worked as a Persian (Farsi) and Dari linguist, translator, annotator, phonetician and phonologist and language consultant with Appen, a global leader in the development of high-quality, human-annotated data for machine learning and artificial intelligence, Chatswood, Australia

www.appen.com

#### November 2020 – November 2021

Have worked as a Target Language Expert with the National Foreign Language Center, the University of Maryland, developing listening and reading comprehension test content based on ILR scale. Maryland, United States. <a href="https://www.nflc.org/">https://www.nflc.org/</a>

# ■ September 2020 – February 2021

Worked as language consultant with Pactera Edge, a company working in field of AI models. New York, United States. https://www.pacteraedge.com

#### March 2020 – July 2020

Worked as a language consultant with Productive Playhouse, an international language services and children's content production company, Los Angeles, United States. www.productiveplayhouse.com

#### November 2018 – November 2019

Worked as a Persian (Farsi) linguist, translator and annotator with DATAMUNDI, a data cleaning, NLP output evaluation, translation technology and consultancy company, Neerlinter, Belgium

www.datamundi.be

### August 2014 – December 2019

Worked as a Dari and Farsi linguist and translator with Travod, London, United Kingdom

www.travod.com

#### December 2015 – June 2019

Worked as a freelance translator of Dari and Farsi with Wordminds, London, United Kingdom

www.wordminds.com

## February 2016 – May 2016

An on-contract translator of Dari with Evoluz Translation Services, Ontario, Canada www.evoluz.com

## January 2014 – August 2015

Telecommuting translator and localizer of Boxing 360, a New York based boxing promotion company

www.boxing360.com

#### October 2012 – March 2013

Worked as a telecommute linguist with PanLex, an under development database aiming to help the translation of any lexical concept to any of the 7000 languages of the world, San Francisco, California.

www.panlex.org

# October 2011 – July 2012 & March 2018 – June 2018

Worked as a Target Language Expert of Farsi collecting authentic Farsi reading and listening passages on different topics based on ILR scale for the purpose of developing test items with Avant Assessment, Eugene, Oregon, United States

www.avantassessment.com

## May 2012 – August 2012

Worked remotely as a freelance Persian phonetician and phonologist with WAG Mobile Inc. helping them prepare mobile applications for learning Persian www.wagmob.com

# • Expertise

Knowledge of IPA, X-SAMPA, SAMPA, Speech Filing System, Praat, Audacity, Adobe Audition, Transcriber, Regular Expressions, Python

# • Certificates

- Certificate of Language Engineering Aptitude UNDL Foundation
- Certificate of Proficiency in Universal Networking Language UNDL Foundation

# • References

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