





CASE STUDY

Outstanding language services in the non-profit sector for First Draft



## About the company

At First Draft, our mission is to protect communities from harmful misinformation. We work to empower society with the knowledge, understanding, and tools needed to outsmart false and misleading information in the moments that matter.

By standing up for truth in a polarised world, we can build more trust in society and help every community to thrive.

# The challenge

First Draft designed "Covering coronavirus: An online course for journalists" and translated a series of Essential Guides to tackle the challenge posed by the rapid spread of the coronavirus 'infodemic'. The rapid spread of misleading or incorrect information about the disease, how it spreads, and how we can protect ourselves against it required a rapid reaction.

The course and guides localisation needed to be completed in 1/3 of the regular timing. Information on the pandemic is produced every second and rapid access to the course and guides in Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, French, German and Hindi to reach as many professionals as possible, in the shortest possible time, was paramount.

The translation of journalism and a newly created English jargon around the pandemic, without equivalents in many languages, made consistent and accurate use of terminology key.

The complexity of the course and guides required Global Lingo to offer support end-to-end, from source content and video animation edition before translation, to glossary creation, translation, transcription, subtitling and burning, video editing, First Draft native speakers review management, course reintegration, rebuild in LMS, DTP and Linguistic Sign Off.

Content in .doc, .mov, Final Cut Pro, PowerPoint and InDesign resulted in 70,000 words for translation and 1.5 hours of video for subtitling and editing.



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### The solution

Key milestones, approach, responsibilities and deadlines were agreed prior to project kick-off and documented in a timing plan.

Several steps were taken from the outset to reduce First Draft native speakers' feedback upon translation completion:

- Glossary created and reviewed by First Draft native speakers to capture key terminology
- The correct style and tone of voice was briefed as per English copywriter brief
- Sample of content was translated and reviewed by First Draft native speakers before translation

A specialist team of dedicated linguists worked on the project to reduce the time needed, while a single proofreader provided consistency and accuracy.

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With languages added along the way – Hindi and German –, the content was completed on a rolling basis, to allow reviewers, video editors, and typesetters to work while other content was still being translated.

First Draft's native team was trained on LiveReview, Global Lingo's online review tool, and reviewed all translated content before video editing, typesetting, and formatting content.

The course reintegration was followed by a Linguistic sign-off stage, where one of the dedicated linguists undertook a final review of all content in context to make sure everything had been formatted correctly, nothing was cutoff, missing or incorrect.

Finally, the course was rebuilt on a rolling-basis on First Draft's Learning Management System (LMS).

The creation of a translation memory along the process helped with timelines, consistency, and costs, and will aid with future translations.

### Benefit

First Draft received finalised courses ready to be published on their LMS, with no further action required.

The first two languages were ready to be launched within 25 working days, with all remaining languages completed for publishing in 1/3 of the regular timing, helping First Draft on their mission to support journalists to deliver faithful and accurate information about the pandemic in 6 languages.

3 hard drives with the project assets were shared with First Draft for backup storage security purposes. These include source and target assets organised by project – course and essential guides –, language and category type, i.e. .doc files, .mov files, Graphics, Images, PPTS, SRTs, Thumbnails and the final approved glossary.

A final project recap meeting to discuss collaboration improvements and action points is an example of the partnership that Global Lingo and First Draft built during the fast-paced execution of a successful project.

# Here's what First Draft have to say about our services:

"A dynamic, flexible team that went the extra mile to fulfil our project aims and requirements. The dedicated Account Manager and Project Manager (Victoria Herrera and Patrizio Pucci), and the linguists worked hard to meet the required deadlines and made every effort to maintain great communication levels throughout. We are really proud of the fantastic results."



**Global Partnerships & Training Director, First Draft** 

# World-leading languages services for non-profit

# Industry expertise

Our linguists are not just linguists, they are experts in their field. Global Lingo covers many business sectors, with qualified translators who operate best industry practices. Our insights ensure your next project expands beyond your expectations, taking your business to the next level in your international markets.

#### Personal service

From your initial point of contact, we provide you with a dedicated account manager who is devoted to guiding you through your next translation or localisation project. We work with industry-leading linguists, abide by internationally recognised quality and security standards, and ensure rigid quality assurance processes. Catering to your bespoke needs, your team at Global Lingo can take on as much or as little as you need, from tightly controlled tasks to a complete project takeover.

### Leading technology

Global Lingo is adept at incorporating emerging technologies and defining new standards in the language services industry. With our GloZone client portal, you can easily oversee and administer your project all in one place. We understand that a synthesis of human touch and technology is what drives success in modern business practices. That's why we always find the right balance, and in doing so guarantee quality content and user experience.



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