



## *Ekaterina Guerbek*

*Russian language translator and interpreter working from English, Spanish and French*

Services: Creative translation (transcreation) · Specialised translation · Localisation · Editing · Transcription · Term base creation and maintenance · Linguistics consultancy · Interpretation

Main translation specialities: · Art and architecture · Ceramics · Cosmetics · Education · Fashion and textile · Gastronomy · History · Law · Linguistics and literature · Marketing and advertising · Real estate · Tourism

Over 20 years' translation and interpretation experience. Native Russian speaker (Saint Petersburg, Russia), presently residing in Spain.

### **Academic background**

- ✓ M.A. in linguistics, Saint Petersburg State University, Russia, 1987: Russian, English, Spanish and French.
- ✓ PhD. in philology, Saint Petersburg State University, Russia, 1997.
- ✓ M.A. in multimedia translation, University of Vigo, Spain, 2018.

### **Career highlights**

#### **Translations into Russian**

##### **Art**

- ✓ Articles for Третьяковская галерея [Tretyakov Gallery magazine], Moscow, No. 4, 2015: monographic issue on Spanish art and museums (Prado Museum, Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum, contemporary art) <http://www.tg-m.ru/magazine/archive/2015/4>
- ✓ Illustrated biography of Salvador Dalí: Иллюстрированная биография Сальвадора Дали. Barcelona, Ed. Dos del Arte, 2018. <https://www.dosde.com/en/illustrated-biography-of-salvador-dali.html>

##### **Tourism**

- ✓ Texts for Paradores de Turismo de España, Spanish State hotel chain's Russian language website and blog on tourism and gastronomy. 2013–2016.

##### **Sport**

- ✓ FC Barcelona, club history: ФК «Барселона». Полная история клуба. Barcelona, Ed. Dos del Arte, 2017. <http://www.dosdearte.com/fc-barcelona-es-c-1-p-1-pr-16350.html>

##### **Fashion**

- ✓ Bilingual articles in Modapiel [footwear industry journal], No. 120, 1/2013, Barcelona. Co-author of a special report on footwear shops and boutiques in Saint Petersburg. <http://www.modapiel.net/>

### **Translation and research**

Under partnering arrangements between the University of St. Petersburg and the Regional Government of

Galicia's Ramón Piñeiro Centre for Humanities Research, translation from Russian into Galician of the university textbook *Fraseoloxía eslava*, by V. Mokienko. Santiago de Compostela, 2000. 502 pages. (<http://www.cervantesvirtual.com/obra/fraseoloxia-eslava-manual-universitario-para-a-especialidade-de-lingua-e-literatura-rusa/>). A review of this translation can be found in point 3 of the following article: ([https://www.researchgate.net/publication/28303237\\_A\\_relevancia\\_da\\_teoria\\_da\\_melabilidade\\_de\\_Valerii\\_Mokienko\\_a\\_traves\\_da\\_sua\\_monografia\\_Fraseoloxia\\_Eslava\\_1980\\_trad\\_2000](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/28303237_A_relevancia_da_teoria_da_melabilidade_de_Valerii_Mokienko_a_traves_da_sua_monografia_Fraseoloxia_Eslava_1980_trad_2000)). Collaboration with the journal *Cadernos de Fraseoloxía Galega* as translator of articles by Russian researchers and author of a review paper. ([http://www.cervantesvirtual.com/portales/esteban\\_echeverria/obra/num-7-2005/](http://www.cervantesvirtual.com/portales/esteban_echeverria/obra/num-7-2005/); <http://www.cervantesvirtual.com/buscador/?q=Fraseolox%C3%ADa+Galega.+N%C3%BAAm.+8%2C+2006>).

### Translations of Russian literature

Translations from Russian into Galician with co-translators and/or editors: *Crime and Punishment* by F. Dostoyevsky ([https://gl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crime\\_e\\_castigo](https://gl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crime_e_castigo); review: [https://www.lavozdegalicia.es/noticia/television/2004/03/06/hai-publicar-galego-mellor-literatura-mundial/0003\\_2484061.htm](https://www.lavozdegalicia.es/noticia/television/2004/03/06/hai-publicar-galego-mellor-literatura-mundial/0003_2484061.htm)), *Diary of a Madman* by N. Gógl ([http://traductoresgalegos.com/pdf/diario\\_tolo.pdf](http://traductoresgalegos.com/pdf/diario_tolo.pdf)); co-editor and translator for *Só o silencio me responde: poemas escollidos...* [selected poems by A. Akhmatova] (<http://rinoceronte.gal/editora/pf/so-o-silencio-me-responde/>).

### Interpretation

- ✓ Interpreter for travel agencies of Santiago de Compostela, Spain, from 2008 to date.
- ✓ Consecutive interpreter for Russian delegations of textile industrialists in 2009 and 2010 (Santiago de Compostela, Vigo and Ourense; organised by the Regional Government of Galicia, the textile industry employers' confederation and the Chamber of Commerce of Ourense, Spain).
- ✓ Interpreter for Russian delegation of stone and ceramics industrialists in 2012 (Galicia, Spain).
- ✓ Interpreter for Regional Department of Justice and Interior of Galicia (Spain), 2002-2010.
- ✓ Interpreter-guide with the Sputnik Youth International Tourist Bureau at Saint Petersburg, Russia (Hermitage State Museum, St. Isaak's Cathedral State Museum, etc.), 1985-1991.
- ✓ Interpreter for the official Cuban delegation to the Saint Petersburg Committee of Youth Organisations at the session on Santiago de Cuba in Leningrad, 1988.

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- ✓ Reviewer of English-Russian and Spanish-Russian translation tests for Translators Without Borders.
- ✓ Member of *Cuadernos de Rusística Española* Advisory Board (journal published by the University of Granada, Spain) <http://revistaseug.ugr.es/index.php/cre/about/editorialTeam>

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- ✓ I collaborate with book and journal publishers, advertising, translation, localisation and travel agencies, museums, hotel chains, universities and government bodies in a number of countries.

### Academic appointments

- ✓ Teacher of Russian and researcher at the Academy of Independent Humanities, affiliated with Saint Petersburg State University, Russia, 1991-1994.
- ✓ Senior lecturer at the Advanced Training Centre on Philology and Regional Geography for Teachers and Researchers, Saint Petersburg State University, 1997-2000.

- ✓ Teacher of Russian and co-ordinator of the Russian Division of the Modern Language Centre, University of Santiago de Compostela, 2002-2005.
- ✓ Teacher of Russian at Welton Tourism High School, Vigo, 2002-2006.
- ✓ Teacher of Russian at the University of Vigo Language Centre, 2005-2014.
- ✓ Tutor for Russian, Spanish National Distance University, 2010-2019.
- ✓ Individual member of the prestigious International Association of Teachers of Russian Language and Literature (MAPRYAL) since May 2007.

## Publications

Author of 16 articles on linguistics, four dealing with translation:

- ✓ E.E. Guerbek, V.M. Mokienko. 'Observacións da versión galega// V.M. Mokienko'. *Fraseoloxía eslava*. Santiago de Compostela, Centro Ramón Piñeiro de Investigación en Humanidades da Xunta de Galicia, 2000, pp.17-20. (<http://www.cervantesvirtual.com/obra/fraseoloxia-eslava--manual-universitario-para-a-especialidade-de-lingua-e-literatura-rusa/>)
- ✓ E. Guerbek. 'A obra que xurdio do frío'// *Guía dos libros novos*, Santiago de Compostela, July – August, 2003, p. 8.
- ✓ E. Guerbek. 'Traducir a Dostoievski: do ruso ao galego'// *Viceversa: Revista galega de tradución*, No. 9/10, 2003-2004, pp.155-164. (<https://dialnet.unirioja.es/revista/6779/A/2003>)
- ✓ E. Guerbek. 'A importancia do significado literal do fraseoloxismo na tradución da obra literaria' // *A Multilingual Focus on Contrastive Phraseology and Techniques for Translation*. María Isabel González Rey (ed.). Verlag Dr.Kovač, Hamburg, 2008. Pp. 93-105. (<http://www.verlagdrkovac.de/3-8300-3911-5.htm#top>)

## Congresses

Participant at a host of university and translator association congresses, and speaker at several, including:

- ✓ First International Congress 'Languages, Tourism and Translation' (University of Cordoba, 2017), with a lecture entitled 'Sobre los aspectos culturales de la traducción de textos turísticos (lenguas eslavas: ruso y checo)' [Cultural considerations in tourist text translation (Slavic languages, Russian and Czech')], in conjunction with L. Zamisova. <http://www.uco.es/filosofiayletras/boletines/wp-content/uploads/file/2017/20171006/b5-traducion.pdf>
- ✓ 'Valenguando' — Lenguando (Valencia, 2015) with a lecture entitled 'La vida de las palabras: procesos activos en el léxico ruso' ['Word life: active processes in the Russian lexicon']. <http://blog.lenguando.com/2015/04/ekaterina-guerbek/>
- ✓ International Congress of Phraseology and Paroemiology (University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain, 2006), with a lecture entitled 'O lugar do significado literal do fraseoloxismo no proceso da tradución da obra literaria' ['The role of the literal meaning of the idiom in literary translation']. <https://docplayer.es/25083272-Congreso-internacional-de-fraseoloxia-e-paroemiologia-universidade-de-santiago-de-compostela-de-setembro-de-2006.html>

## Awards

- ✓ Placido Castro Prize (sixth edition, 2006) for the translation of *Diary of a Madman*", by N.V. Gogol, from Russian to Galician. [https://gl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Premio\\_de\\_Traduci%C3%B3n\\_P%C3%A1l%C3%A1cido\\_Castro](https://gl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Premio_de_Traduci%C3%B3n_P%C3%A1l%C3%A1cido_Castro)

## Associations

- ✓ Professional member of Asociación Española de Traductores, Correctores e Intérpretes, ASETRAD [Spanish association of translation, editing and interpretation] since 2008.  
<https://asetrad.org/necesitas-un-traductor-corrector-o-interprete/buscador-de-socios/detalle?username=Geguerbek>

## Courses

- ✓ Courses on specialised translation, e.g.:
  - Translating marketing texts. Alliance Pro School of Specialist Translators, Russia. October-November 2018. Academic and practical training. <http://apschool.ru/kurs-perevod-marketingovyh-tekstov-s-nadezhdoj-kazantsevoj/>
  - Advertising and media language in today's world. Saint Petersburg State University, Russia, official online course. October - December 2017. Academic and practical training, 72 hours. <https://openedu.ru/course/spbu/LNGADV/>
  - Fashion journalism in the digital age. School of Style, Moscow, Russia, online course. December 2017 – March 2018. Academic and practical training, 96 hours. <https://styleschool.ru/fashion-media-digital>
  - Museums in Spain. Spanish National Distance University (UNED), university outreach course. Academic training, 20 hours. October 2016 - January 2017.
  - Art and legend in the Medieval Road to Santiago. Spanish National Distance University (UNED), university outreach course. Academic training, 20 hours. July 2017.
  - Court interpretation, Comillas Pontifical University, Madrid (2010).
  - Advanced training for interpreter-guides at the Hermitage State Museum and St. Isaak's Cathedral State Museum, Saint Petersburg (1992).
- ✓ A number of specific courses delivered by translators' associations such as ASETRAD, AGPTI and professional portals such as ProZ.com and ConTrazoFirme.es, addressing quality, productivity, computer tools, new technologies and other translation-related concerns (2011 to date, face-to-face and online).

## Certification

- ✓ Official diploma. Spanish as a Foreign Language (DELE), Cervantes Institute, C2,(2008).
- ✓ Official diploma, Portuguese as a Foreign Language, Instituto Camões, A2, (2015).
- ✓ Exam in Galician, Regional Government of Galicia, advanced (2006).

## Software

- ✓ SDL Trados Studio 2019 Freelance Plus, MemoQ 8, Wordfast, Memsource
- ✓ XBench
- ✓ ABBYY Fine Reader, ABBYY Lingvo
- ✓ Microsoft Office