

The future of translation and translation studies in the age of artificial intelligence

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In this talk I shall discuss my perspective on recent developments in artificial intelligence and the possible ramifications for the translation industry, for translator training and for translation studies as a discipline. While some rejoice in the advances of technology and its ability to produce solutions as good as if not better than most humans, others see the devaluation of their professional activities and even fear for the future in the world where artificial intelligence learns, quicker, faster and more efficiently than the human brain. I will discuss recent history of translation and translation studies to trace how we have arrived at where we are today, and I will suggest possible scenarios for the future.