According to the MOPP, the task of the Language Committee is to highlight the importance of inclusiveness by language and remind and encourage the IASSW of its policy at all levels of the IASSW. IASSW have five official languages: English, French, Spanish, Japanese and Chinese (simplified). In addition, a new member, Alexandra has been providing Portuguese translation!

The website of IASSW has Auto translation enabled in various languages: https://www.iassw-aiets.org/. However, the committee has found that proof-reading and some corrections are needed. The committee has been working to make the website more adequate and providing translations in all the official languages.

In 2022, the committee members and other colleagues translated and provided proof-reading with the official document for the 2022 elections. They have all been uploaded onto the website. The committee is very much thankful to the IASSW regional associations’ colleagues who volunteered to do proof-reading of them.

The committee members have also translated the new Global Standards. Currently the Global Standards is available in English, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Italian and Portuguese: https://cutt.ly/tnmHo32. The French version is in the process of proof-reading and will be uploaded soon. We believe that we need to ask all the countries to translate the Global Standards into their languages and to discuss this with their members. We will use our budget for the translation and proof-reading when necessary.

The Language Committee needs more colleagues who could be involved in translation and proof-reading in various languages to make IASSW more visible globally.

The committee welcomes your suggestions to promote inclusiveness through language!!

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