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Paola Gherardelli is an expert in ESP (English for Specific Purposes), textbook writer, teacher and trainer.

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She has worked as a translator for many Italian publishing houses (Bollati-Boringhieri, Feltrinelli, Il Saggiatore)

After many years of teaching both children and adults in the private language sector, she specialised in ESP.

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