



NGUGI WA THIONG'O AND HIS SELF-TRANSLATION INTO GIKUYU

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This article analyses the twofold relationship of Kenyan author Ngugi wa Thiong'o (Limuru, 1938) with the practice of translation, which sees him both in the role of translated author (specifically into Italian) and of translator himself (of his own books, from Gikuyu into English). Finally, a third perspective is added by the English translation of *Matigari* (1989), the only novel translated into English by Kenyan writer and translator Wangui wa Goro.