3R is Almost Done – What’s Next?

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3R Project – Final Milestones

• September RDA Toolkit release
  - More policy statement examples from LC and the British Library
  - Partial translations published in Finnish and Norwegian
  - Mapping of RDA elements to LRM elements

• Switchover date: December 15, 2020
  - Beta Toolkit ceases being beta and becomes the authorized version of RDA
    o New URL: access.rdatoolkit.org
  - Original Toolkit still available
    o New URL: original.rdatoolkit.org
    o No date set yet for retiring the original Toolkit
      • You will have at least a one-year notification
Timeframe for Implementation

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• Up to communities, based on
  ▪ Availability of their own application profiles, policy statements, best practices, etc.
  ▪ Completion of local training initiatives
  ▪ Possibly: implementation of additional RDA-related content designation in MARC 21, BIBFRAME, or other encoding standard

• There may be a coordinated implementation date among some national libraries world-wide
  ▪ This happened with the original RDA
A Few Things to Remember

• RDA was never designed to meet all your metadata needs
  ▪ Administrative metadata, resource management metadata, and rights management metadata are all out of scope of RDA
    o As is subject access, unless it’s for an RDA entity
  ▪ RDA can point out to other standards with related entity of RDA entity or something more specific (e.g., related entity of \{agent, place, work, etc.\}) as attributes of an RDA entity

• “Core elements” not part of beta RDA
  ▪ Required elements are quite minimal at the RDA (or international) level
  ▪ More specific guidance/requirements expected in application profiles, policy statements, and/or best practices
A Few Things to Remember

Just because an element is defined in RDA does not mean catalogers have to use it
What does RDA Require?

• Coherent description of an information resource
  ▪ [Required] A description of at least one of its entities
  ▪ [Recommended] Relationships between WEMI entities for the information resource, using specific relationship elements with the appropriate cardinality, such as the following (full list at 07.04.34.92):
    o expression manifested [minimum = 1; maximum not specified]
    o manifestation of work [minimum number = 1; maximum not specified]
      • This relationship implies the existence of at least one expression

• Description of a WEMI entity
  ▪ [Required] An appellation element (appellation, title/preferred title, access point/authorized access point, identifier, or IRI)
  ▪ [Recommended] Other elements to support LRM user tasks
What Will Communities Require?

• Cataloging communities will determine for themselves
  - Choices in granularity (e.g., agent vs. a more specific entity like person)
  - Recording method(s) for a given element
    - unstructured, structured, identifier, IRI
  - Which additional elements are required, and which of these are repeatable (beyond what is already in RDA)
  - Which elements will not be used
What’s Next for the RSC?

• October 2020 meeting changed from in-person to virtual
  ▪ Expanded from one week to two weeks
  ▪ Will be a mix of synchronous and asynchronous meeting styles
    ▪ Will hold 4 two-hour synchronous meetings at different times to accommodate the different time zones of RSC members
    ▪ Investigating how to accommodate observers
    ▪ Agenda items may cross over between both meeting styles
  ▪ Papers, reports, etc. to be posted on the RSC website no later than three weeks before the meeting

• 4 meetings planned for 2021
  ▪ 3 asynchronous (January, April, July)
  ▪ 1 in person – in New Zealand
RDA Development Goals 2020-2021

• Continued collaboration with MARC/RDA Working Group
  ▪ More proposals and discussion papers related to new RDA elements expected for MARC Advisory Committee meeting in January 2021

• Receive and act on initial recommendations from RSC’s Application Profiles Working Group

• Consider proposals from RDA communities as they arise
  ▪ Currently under development by NARDAC
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• Support for new RSC member to represent Latin America and the Caribbean (anticipated no later than 2021)
RDA Development Goals
2020-2021

• Ongoing review and update of RDA to reduce, and ultimately eliminate, Western focus
  ▪ Current work on developing community-based string encoding schemes is part of this effort

• Continued development of and support for “community resources” in the Toolkit
  ▪ Including identifying what constitutes a “community” and what their relationship is with the RSC

• Create a self-service checklist of conformance conditions

• Respond to user feedback
More Information – all free!

• RSC website: http://rda-rsc.org/
  ▪ RSC news and announcements: http://rda-rsc.org/news
  ▪ RSC documents (2020): http://rda-rsc.org/node/633
    (RSC papers, agendas, minutes, working group charges, etc.)
  ▪ RSC presentations (2020): http://www.rda-rsc.org/node/634

• RDA Toolkit site: https://www.rdatauthorkit.org/
  ▪ Toolkit news: https://www.rdatauthorkit.org/news

• RDA Toolkit YouTube channel
  ▪ https://www.youtube.com/c/RDAToolkitVideo
    (contains instructional videos on how to use the RDA Toolkit and
    recordings of RDA-related presentations)

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Questions??