RDA Steering Committee Update

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Today’s Topics

• New on the RSC website
• RSC Plus meeting – highlights
• Addition of general guidance chapters
• New RSC appointments and governance transitions
New on the RSC Website

• Selected presentations related to RDA
  http://www.rda-rsc.org/rscpresentations
  • From RSC members and others
  • Includes presentations from the 2017 RSC outreach meetings in Chicago and Madrid

• New sections for each of the RDA regions
  www.rda-rsc.org/regions
  • Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, North America, and Oceania
  • Content will be provided here regarding the new North American RDA Committee
RSC Plus meeting, October 2017

• Met for 3 ½ days at the Biblioteca Nacional de España in Madrid

• Bookended by public events
  • Preparing for the new RDA Toolkit
  • Development of RDA and implementation use cases in Europe

• Included an afternoon meeting with 11 translators
  • Identified concerns, including
    ◦ English homonyms
    ◦ Translation of examples
    ◦ Issues of gender in the labels of relationship designators
RSC Plus meeting – Content discussions

• Impact of IFLA Library Reference Model (LRM) on continuing resources
• Change in modeling of serial works
  ◦ FRBR:
    ◦ Regional editions of The Wall Street Journal are considered expressions of a single work
    ◦ Translations considered expressions of a particular work – no distinction based on mode of issuance
  ◦ LRM:
    ◦ Regional editions of The Wall Street Journal are considered separate (but closely related) works
    ◦ Each serial work has only one expression and one manifestation
      ◦ Translations of serials are separate works
      ◦ Online and print “editions” of serials are separate works
Diachronic works: Planned to be embodied over time
- The content changes as the *work* evolves
- May or may not have a pre-determined conclusion
- New categories to be created in RDA
  - Integrating monographic work
  - Sequential monographic work
  - Integrating continuing work
  - Serial work (sequential continuing work)
- Once complete, no longer “diachronic”

Static works: Embodied at a fixed point in time
- No change in content
RSC Plus meeting – Content discussions

• Aggregating works
  • A plan for bringing together distinct *expressions* into one or more *manifestations* – *not* the contents
  • Relationships hold true only for a single aggregating work
  • For diachronic works, description takes the plan into account
    ◦ Frequency, language, carrier type, total number of volumes anticipated, etc.
    ◦ Sometimes these attributes change over time
• For static works
  ◦ Generally catalog the result, rather than aspects of the plan
RSC Plus meeting – Content discussions

- Non-human personages
  - As a result of a change between FRAD and LRM, personas, spirits, fictitious characters, etc., no longer instances of Person
  - But still important to associate the name (or Nomen) with the Manifestation where it is used
    - These personas, etc. are types of pseudonyms
    - Sometimes real human being behind the Nomen can be identified, sometimes not
  - No required change to current NACO practice of creating authority records for personas, spirits, etc.
    - Creating records for names, not individuals
Addition of general Guidance chapters

• An anticipated sampling of what will be added to the Toolkit...

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RSC – Governance changes

• New Wider Community Engagement Officer
  • Ebe Kartus, University of New England in New South Wales

• New RSC Chair-Elect (term as chair starts in 2019)
  • Kathy Glennan, University of Maryland

• Implementation of regional representation
  • BL, CILIP and DNB reps collapsed into single European rep (2017)
  • ALA, CCC and LC reps collapsed into single North American rep (2018)
  • ACOC now part of Oceania, which has a single rep (2018)
  • Additional reps sought for Asia, Africa, and Latin American/Caribbean regions
    ◦ RSC may have co-opted members until these spots are filled
Creation of NARDAC
(North American RDA Committee)

- Two representatives each from
  - **ALA**: Dominique Bourassa, Yale University (3 year term)
    Kathy Glennan, University of Maryland (1 year term)
  - **CCC**: Thomas Brenndorfer, Guelph Public Library
    Nathalie Mainville, Library and Archives Canada, Standards and Systems
  - **LC**: Damian Iseminger, Bibliographic Access Section, Music Division
    Kate James, Cataloging Policy Specialist, Policy & Standards Division

- Potential for reps from Bermuda, Greenland, and Saint Pierre and Miquelon
  - If/when they implement RDA
NARDAC Operations

• Umbrella committee
  • Not replacing the highly successful existing national committees
  • Serve as information conduit between RSC and these constituencies
  • Identify experts to advise the RSC (through service on working groups, etc.)

• Virtual meetings
  • As needed
  • Will soon identify the NARDAC chair and the NARDAC RSC representative

• Change proposals from the three North American constituencies will come through this group

• ALA reps normally have three-year terms
More information – At this conference

- CC:DA meetings
  - Today, starting at 1:00 pm – Sheraton Denver Downtown, Plaza Ballroom F
  - Monday, starting at 8:30 am – same location

- PCC At Large / PCC Participants meeting
  - Sunday, starting at 3:00 pm – Colorado Convention Center Room 601/603

- RDA Linked Data Forum
  - Monday, starting at 1:00 pm – Colorado Convention Center, Room 303
More information – Online

• RDA Toolkit/3R Project website
  • http://www.rdatatoolkit.org/3Rproject

• RDA Steering Committee – Presentations
  • http://www.rda-rsc.org/rscpresentations
    Includes recent presentations by various RSC members

• IFLA Library Reference Model

• Ask me:
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Questions?