

**To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA**  
**From: Alan Danskin, British Library Representative**  
**Subject: Revision of RDA 11.13.1.8.2**

## Introduction

This proposal seeks to address problems encountered when constructing authorised access points for conferences. There is overlap between 11.13.1.3 Place Associated with the Body, 11.13.1.4 Associated Institution, and 11.13.1.8 Number, Date and Location of a Conference, Etc. which may result in ambiguity or variation in the way access points are constructed.

The table below is an extract from LC NACO Authority File, illustrating the variation between authorised access points for two conferences for which collective and individual access points have been established.

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Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (10th : 1998 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (12th : 2000 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (16th : 2006 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (17th : 2008 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (1st : 1989 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (3rd : 1991 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (5th : 1993 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (6th : 1994 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (7th : 1995 : Salamanca, Spain)	Conference 1 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos que sobre "Mitos, Tópicos y Realidades del Poder en Europa y América"	
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos	Conference 1 – conference series

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Jornadas de Estudios Históricos, sobre "Problemas de la Historia Hoy"	
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Universidad del País Vasco)	Conference 2 – conference series
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Universidad del País Vasco) (3rd : 2001 : Bilbao, Spain)	Conference 2 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Universidad del País Vasco) (6th : 2004 : Vitoria, Spain)	Conference 2 – individual conference
Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Universidad del País Vasco) (8th : 2006 : Vitoria, Spain)	Conference 2 – individual conference

This results in inconsistency between the collective and individual access points created for the same series of conferences. For example:

Collective access point:

Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Salamanca, Spain)

Individual access point:

Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (6th : 1994 : Salamanca, Spain)

The level of specificity required by 11.13.1.3 Place Associated with the Body, is broader than required by 11.13.1.8 Number, Data, and Location of a Conference, Etc., which may result in inconsistency, for example:

11.13.1.3

Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Spain)

11.13.1.8

Jornadas de Estudios Históricos (Salamanca, Spain)

The same issues also arise between Associated Institution used for disambiguation (11.13.1.4) and Associated Institution used as a Location of a Conference

To address the problem, it is proposed that, when an access point represents a series of conferences that were all held in the same place, the location of the conference should be recorded as an attribute of the conference. The instruction for adding them to access points should be consistent with the general instructions at 11.13.1.3 for Place Associated with the Body.. This will avoid confusion between the location of the entity, and terms added to access points for disambiguation.

In effect, this follows the provisions of LCRI 24.7B

“On the name authority record for a conference heading, do not add the number, date, or place to the name when the conference is an ongoing one, even if all the meetings were held in one place (cf. [24.7B4](#)). Apply this both to meetings entered directly under their own names and to meetings entered subordinately to headings for corporate bodies.”

### **Change 1 11.13.1.8.2 Access Point for a Series of Conferences, Etc.**

Change the current text of 11.13.1.8.2 and move the examples block:

#### **Current text**

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#### **EXAMPLE**

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Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference (University of Utah)  
Access point for its web site. Held at the University of Utah each year~~

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#### Outcome

Clarifies the distinction between

1. Places and institutions recorded for disambiguation, which are always added immediately after the preferred name in both collective and individual access points.
2. Places and institutions recorded as the location of the conference: recorded in the individual access points only.

3. Access points constructed consistently with conferences with non-unique names that are not always held in the same location.

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We estimate that the impact on existing headings is small. We have identified 84 records in LC/NACO in which the preferred form of name matches the pattern.

In some, the place name is duplicated, once for uniqueness and once because all held in the same place:

111 2 \$aSemana de Estudios Medievales (Estella, Spain)\$c(Estella, Spain)  
111 2 \$aBiennale d'art contemporain (Brest, France)\$c(Brest, France)

In some the place name is redundant:

111 2 \$aBiennale di Venezia\$c(Venice, Italy)  
111 2 \$aTriennale di Milano\$c(Milan, Italy)  
111 2 \$aSeattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival\$c(Seattle, Wash.)