

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

**From:** Marg Stewart, CCC representative

**Subject: Revision of RDA 9.13, Affiliation**

CCC has reviewed the revision proposal to split 9.13 affiliation into three sub-elements.

CCC supports alignment of RDA with the FR family as a general principle. CCC does not see defining extensions or refinements to the FRAD model as violating this principle. However, CCC feels that the JSC should consult with the FRBR Review Group to find out how affiliation would be treated in the consolidated model.

CCC agrees with the two techniques that LC has proposed to accommodate the additional information pending the outcome of the consultation with the FRBR Review Group.

CCC notes that the broader discussion on “data about data” has not yet taken place. CCC would prefer not to define a sub-element for “date of affiliation” until it is confirmed that this is the preferred approach. CCC further notes that there are other RDA elements for which date information would be useful.

It should also be noted that the US MARC Advisory Committee approved the definition of Start and End date information in the new MARC21 fields for many RDA elements, including field 373 (Affiliated Group), field 372 (Field of Activity), and field 374 (Occupation).