To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Christine Frodl, DNB Representative
Subject: Illustrative content and other augmentations: Discussion Paper

DNB thanks EURIG for preparing this Discussion paper. EURIG initiates an important discussion for those unresolved issues, especially for linked data applications. Because the *Final Report of the Working Group on Aggregates* is a central topic in this paper, we would be interested in JSC's position to that *Final Report*.

Interoperability is an important factor for data sharing, data linking and the re-use of data between different parties. Therefore we support a flexible as well as an interoperable approach. The implementation scenario plays an essential role. We think that we need both models presented in this Discussion paper. We welcome the selection and presentation of the examples.

The difficulties that arise when illustrations are treated at the expression level are well described, and the presentation of the expression level is an important topic for further discussion.

The *technique* used to record a primary relationship should not be decisive for regarding a person as a creator or other person at the manifestation level. However, with regard to the proposal in the Discussion paper this would be the case with the illustrator. The illustrator would only be the creator, if the illustration work will be described independently.

Another recommendation of the Discussion paper is shifting RDA 7.15 "Illustrative Content" to chapter 3 "Describing Carriers". According to ALA/Discussion/1, we would prefer to establish a new element "Extent of Expression". The discussion paper emphasizes the work character of the illustrations therefore we see a discrepancy in assigning it to the manifestation level.