

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
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**Subject:** Major title changes for serials in Chinese, Japanese and Korean (RDA 2.3.2.13.1, ISBD A.2.6.1 and ISSN 2.3.1), discussion paper about the "first five words" rule

DNB thanks the ISSN International Centre for preparing this discussion paper.

DNB and the national ISSN Centre support the suggestion to test and analyze the impact of the proposed revisions. The current RDA instruction is in harmonization with ISBD. ZDB (Zeitschriftendatenbank = German Union Catalogue of Serials) recently has changed its instructions according to that standard. Therefore we do not support to change the instructions for title splits in general but to apply a special instruction for Chinese, Japanese and Korean languages.