

New Concepts: Representative Expressions Manifestation Statements Non-human personages

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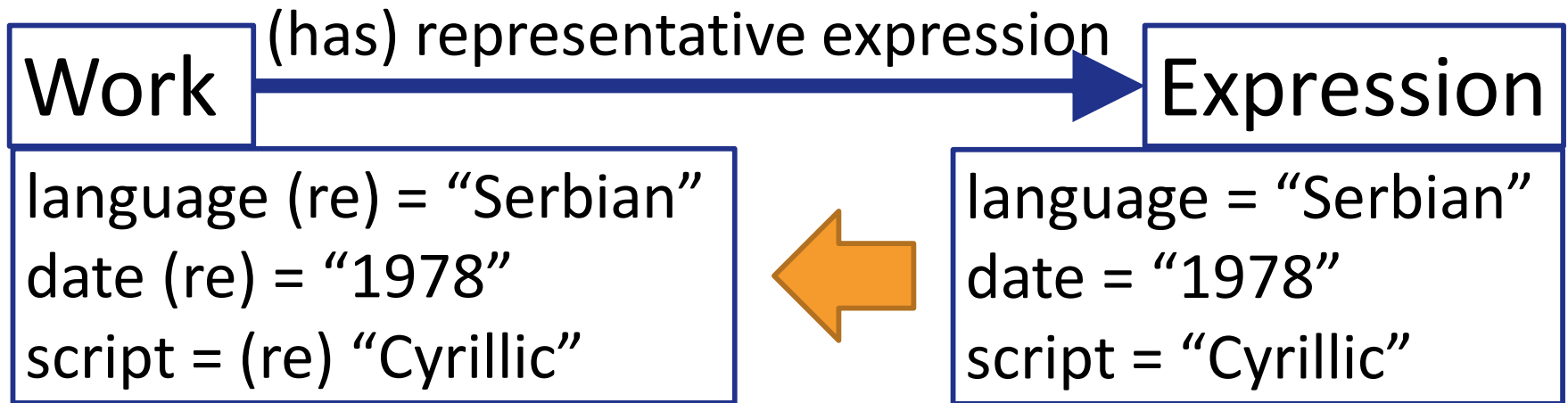
Representative Expressions in the IFLA LRM

- LRM-E2-A2: Representative expression attribute
 - An attribute which is deemed essential in characterizing the work and whose values are taken from a representative or canonical expression of the work
 - Intended to be sub-typed by implementers

Representative Expressions in RDA

- Implemented in RDA as **Work:representative expression**
 - An expression that is considered a canonical source of data for identifying a work.
- Guidance>Representative expressions
 - Specification of Expression elements with corresponding Work elements

Representative expression relationship element



Main utility:

construction of access points

distinct description of similar works

How Many Representative Expressions?

- Any expression can be a *representative expression*
- Works that may be realized by more than one expression may have more than one representative expression
- Works that must be realized by one and only one expression have only one representative expression:
 - A static work that is an aggregating work must be realized by one and only one expression (“W-E lock”)
 - A diachronic work must be realized by one and only one expression and be embodied by one and only one manifestation (“W-E-M lock”)

Manifestation Statements in the IFLA LRM

- LRM-E4-A4: Manifestation statement
 - A statement appearing in exemplars of the manifestation and deemed to be significant for users to understand how the resource represents itself
 - Intended to be sub-typed by implementers

Manifestation Statements in RDA

- Implemented in RDA as **Manifestation: manifestation statement**
 - 13 narrower elements (sub-types)
Manifestation: manifestation...statement corresponding to the various areas of description
- Guidance>Manifestation Statements
 - Includes list of sub-types
 - Special instructions for manifestation statements of facsimiles and reproductions

RDA Manifestation statement

Recording method: unstructured description (only)

Transcribed from manifestation being described:

- Basic transcription guidelines (WYSIWYG, machine-capture)

- Normalized transcription guidelines (capitalization, punctuation, etc.)

- Other transcription guidelines (specialized communities)

What is a person, anyway?

- LRM-E7 Person
 - The entity person is restricted to real persons who live or are assumed to have lived.

Beta toolkit

An individual human being who lives or is assumed to have lived.

Current Toolkit

An individual or an identity established by an individual, either alone or in collaboration with one or more other individuals.

Examples of fictitious and non-human appellations

- Richard Castle (fictitious)
- John H. Watson (fictitious)
- Millie the dog (non-human)
- Koko the Gorilla (non-human)
- Archangel Michael (non-human)

Fictitious personages

- Fictitious, legendary, etc. personages in manifestation title and responsibility statements are assumed to be pseudonyms of a Person or Collective Agent (> 1 Person)
- We don't need to know who the Person or Collective Agent is

Animals and other non-human performers

- Animals, etc. in manifestation title and responsibility statements (credits) are accommodated as non-RDA entities



No assumptions about Entity



Thank you!

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