

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Bill Leonard, CCC representative

Subject: Appendix I Relationships for works issued over time

CCC thanks the British Library for this proposal. CCC supports Change no. 1 in principle but prefers more consideration be given to the definition of publishing director. CCC supports Change no. 2 in principle but suggests most of these changes should be deferred in consideration of the potential impact of the Library Reference Model.

The publishing director and founder roles, as proposed, express responsibility for serials and integrating resources, possibly multi-part monographs, but generally not for regular monographs. As pointed out in the explanation, you can only have a founder or publishing director relationship with an aggregate collection. We suggest the addition of the word “aggregate” to both proposed definitions to make this clarification.

Change no. 1.

CCC recognizes the existence of the role of the publishing director proposed by our colleagues in France. The conflation of two different types of responsibility, those being, legal and intellectual, could prove to be problematic in the current entity model, and possibly in the future when changes are made for the LRM. In the LRM, different kinds of rights are attributes of expressions or manifestations, not of the work. A publishing director has an intellectual responsibility relationship with a work, and a legal responsibility relationship with an expression or manifestation. We question whether it is appropriate to create a publishing director relationship expressing both legal and intellectual responsibility to the work entity. It may be untidy, but future consideration could be given to creating three relationship designators, publishing director (work), publishing director (expression) and publishing director (manifestation). In the short-term, we propose the addition of the word “aggregate” and the specific types of issuance to the definition.

publishing director

A person, family or corporate body having legal and/or intellectual responsibility for the content of an aggregate serial, integrating resource or multi-part monographic work

Change no. 2.

CCC agrees with defining founder of a work in Appendix I, but not with the proposed changes to Appendix K. We prefer to defer the proposed changes until the introduction of the agent entity, and the generalization of many relationships in Appendix K.

Given that the scope of this proposal is “works issued over time” it should be reflected in the definition. We suggest the word “aggregate” is appropriate for the same reasons mentioned above.

CCC also prefers the structure “that founded.”

founder

A person, family or corporate body that founded an aggregate serial, integrating resource or multi-part monographic work