**Authority data for Objects currently identified as Corporate bodies**

Authority data creators in National Library of Latvia quite often faced with cases when they have to describe resources, which focuses on historical buildings (palaces, churches, manor houses, specific architectural and historical buildings) their architecture, construction. RDA rules at present do not offer a solution for modelling relationships between entity Object (named Object) and other related entities (Persons, Families, Corporate bodies). Authority data for such kind of objects are currently being created as institutions, with the possibility to identify them only as Corporate body. In this case, users who seek information about a particular object are misled. Impossibility to distinguish between Corporate body (active agent) and Named Object causes problems in entity identification and data linking, especially in metadata creating for digital resources. National Library of Latvia has collection of printed and digitized visual resources that reflects historical buildings and other objects in Latvia. For example, Corporate body “National Library of Latvia” is not the same as Object – “Building of National Library of Latvia”. They both have different attributes and should be linked as separate entities.

There is an example, which describes this problem:

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| **Example: KGB Building (Rīga, Latvija) currently described as Corporate body** | **Example: KGB Building (Rīga, Latvija) should described as Geographic name** |
| **075 ##** |a Institūcija *(institution)* |b C  – Type of entity *“institution” is not correct for entity Object (building).*  **110 2#** |a Stūra māja (Rīga, Latvija)  – *named historical object (building), not the institution*  **368 ##** |a Celtnes *(Buildings)*  – *other attributes*  **370 ##** |a Rīga (Latvija)  – *related place*  **371 ## |**a Brīvības iela 61, |b Rīga, |d Latvija.  - *address*  **372 ##** |a Sabiedriskās ēkas *(Public buildings)*  *-this information is going to MARC field 550 (Topical term)*  **373 ##** |a Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komiteja  **410 2#** |a Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komitejas ēka (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **410 2#** |a KGB Gebäude (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **410 2#** |a KGB Building (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **410 2#** |a Eckhaus (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **410 2#** |a Угловой дом (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **500 1#** |w r |i Arhitekts *(architect person)*: |a Vanags, Aleksandrs, |d 1873-1919  *– related Agent Person to Named Object, not to Corporate body*  **510 2#** |w r Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komiteja  - *Related institution with object - (KGB – Komitet Gosudarstvennoi bezopasnosti).* | **034 ##** |d Coordinates  **046 ##** |s 1911  *-Date of construction*  **075 ##** |a Type of entity? ***Object?***  **151 ##** |a Stūra māja (Rīga, Latvija)  *– object (building) name*  **368 ##** |a Celtnes *(Buildings)*  – *other attributes*  **370 ##** |a Rīga (Latvija)  – *related place*  **371 ##** |a Brīvības iela 61, |b Rīga, |d Latvija.  - *address*  **372 ##** |s 1946 |t 1990  *– activity period of KGB in this building*  **373 ##** |a Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komiteja (KGB)  *– related group: KGB – Komitet Gosudarstvennoi bezopasnosti*  **451 ##** |a Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komitejas ēka (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **451 ##** |a KGB Gebäude (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **451 ##** |a KGB Building (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **451 ##** |a Угловой дом (Rīga, Latvija)  - *other form of name of this object*  **500 1#** |w r |i Arhitekts *(architect person)*: |a Vanags, Aleksandrs, |d 1873-1919  *– related Agent Person to Named Object*  **510 2#** |w r Latvijas PSR Valsts drošības komiteja  - *Related Institution with object - (KGB – Komitet Gosudarstvennoi bezopasnosti).*  **550 ##** |g Sabiedriskās ēkas *(Public buildings)* |z Latvija |

**Proposed solution:**

At present, there is a tendency to create Authority records for churches, palaces and other Named Objects (buildings) as Geographic Names (MARC21 Authority field 151). These objects are more related to geographic names and have attributes as geographic objects. Maybe it is possible to define a separate entity type (Object) for all kind of named objects?

There is an example from DNB – Dom Köln (VIAF ID: 14241677):

151 ## |a Dom Köln |g Köln

451 ## |a Kölner Dom‏ ‎|g  Köln‏

451 ## |a Dom St. Peter und Maria‏ ‎|g  Köln‏

451 ## |a St. Peter und Maria‏ ‎|g  Köln‏

451 ## |a Sankt Peter und Maria‏ ‎|g  Köln‏

451 ## |a Dom zu Köln‏ ‎|g  Köln‏

451 ## |a Hohe Domkirche St. Petrus‏ ‎|g  Köln‏ |0 (DE-101)944304176‏ ‎‡0  (DE-588)4374567-2‏ ‎|0 http://d-nb.info/gnd/4374567-2‏ ‎|a Katholische Kirche‏ |‡b  Erzdiözese

510 2# |a Köln‏ ‎‡b  Domkapitel‏ ‎‡9  4:affi‏ ‎‡w  r‏ ‎‡i  Affiliation‏ ‎‡e  Affiliation‏

**Attributes and relationships, which should appear in the Authority record for entity *Object*:**

1. Type of entity – Object? - MARC21 Authority Field 075;
2. Date of construction of the Object - MARC21 Authority Field 046 subfield $s;
3. It will be nice to have a possibility to add dates to any variant name of Object, so these objects can be called differently in different periods of time.
4. Related Agents – architect, designer, painter, owner, institution - MARC21 Authority Fields 5XX;
5. Address - MARC21 Authority Field 371;
6. Coordinates - MARC21 Authority Field 034;
7. Other related subjects: architectural style, historical events -MARC21 Authority Field 550.

There will be a problem in the future – how to show relationships between RDA entities (PFC) and entity *Object?* in RDA entity model*.* Entity type for such kind of Objects is not defined. For example:

**(Agent Person)** Birkerts, Gunars, 1925-2017 **is architect person of** **(Entity type? Object?)** Latvijas Nacionālās bibliotēkas ēka *(Building of National Library of Latvia)*.

**(Entity type? Object?)** Latvijas Nacionālās bibliotēkas ēka **has an architect person** **(Entity type - Person)** Birkerts, Gunars, 1925-2017.

There is even one more controversial type of entity – vehicles like ships, shuttles, etc. They are also described as Corporate bodies, but they are mentioned only as subjects never as active agents. They have owners, builders, designers, technical characteristics; they change their names. There is a need to find a solution for this kind of entity in MARC and RDA.