EURIG Annual Meeting
Friday September 21st 2012, Madrid

Minutes (final version)

The meeting was chaired by Alan Danskin, British Library.
A list of the attendees is enclosed as Appendix B.

Welcome

Mar Hernández Agustì (Technical Process Department Manager at Biblioteca Nacional de España) and Alan Danskin welcomed the participating EURIG representatives.

Acceptance of the Agenda

The agenda was accepted.

Status Reports Working Groups

During the EURIG Technical Meeting in Paris the development of several proposals was assigned to working groups.

The Austrian Library Network (ALN) was to write a proposal concerning facsimiles and the Bible (or parts of the Bible) to flag current instruction on facsimiles at 6.30.3.2 as an alternative for consistency with 6.24.1.4.
In January 2012, it was generally agreed that the date of a facsimile should not be retained as an element of expressions respectively as an element of identification of an expression. At the time of the Technical Meeting, this instruction was not flagged as alternative. Therefore was decided to write a proposal. Now this instruction is flagged as an alternative and the proposal is not necessary anymore.

French Working Group

Bibliothèque Nationale de France (BnF) and ABES delivered, four proposals and a discussion paper, prepared by the French Working Group on RDA.

- 6JSC/EURIG/1 Performances – Addition of examples in RDA 6.12.1.3 and 6.27.3.
- 6JSC/EURIG/2 Date of expression – Revision of RDA 6.10.1.1 and 6.10.1.3
- 6JSC/EURIG/3 Language of expression – Revision of RDA 6.11, 6.11.1.3, 6.11.1.4, 7.12.1.3, 26.1.1.3
- 6JSC/EURIG/4 Musical arrangements – Revision of RDA 6.18.1.4 and 6.28.3.2.1
- 6JSC/EURIG/Discussion/1 - Musical arrangements: discussion paper

The discussion paper about Musical Arrangements is a starting point for the broader discussion.

The French Working Group on RDA also drafted two preparatory documents, respectively on Illustrations and other augmentations and on Compilations of works, to serve as a basis for discussion at the meeting of the EURIG Working Group on Aggregates during IFLA.
BnF concluded that the work needed on RDA Rules for Aggregates is very important and urgent, as it involves the RDA application of the FRBR model.

BnF also delivered two EURIG activities reports, for the ISBD Review Group and FRBR Review Group. These reports were distributed before the EURIG informal meeting during IFLA in Helsinki.

The Chair thanked the BnF and ABES for their excellent work.

Working Group on Aggregates

During IFLA in Helsinki the Working Group on Aggregates met. Miriam Säfstrom, chair of the meetings, gave a status update. The minutes of the meeting are available on the EURIG website.

On the topic of Illustrations, the Working Group on Aggregates generally agreed with RDA regarding those Works whose content is wholly, or predominantly, graphic. For other Works, for example textual works, the Working Group disagreed with RDA. The Working Group agreed with the view put forward in the discussion document that illustrative content should not be at the Expression level. Graphic content that is not integral to the work should be recorded or related at the Manifestation level. Danskin noted that 7.15Illustrative Content includes a vocabulary which could be important for describing graphic content and that colour and other attributes related to graphic content are assigned to the expression.

EURIG decided that a discussion paper should be prepared for the JSC Meeting in 2013. The Working Group on Aggregates will make an impact analysis on RDA. Biblioteca Nacional de Espaňa (BNE) will join the WG on Aggregates in this matter.

The Working Group on Aggregates also focussed on the topic of compilations of Works. Françoise Leresche (BnF) has presented the AFNOR paper about this topic. The Working Group on Aggregates thinks this is a complex issue. The view of the Working Group is that RDA should comply with the Final Report of the FRBR Working Group on Aggregates .

Members of the Working Group on Aggregates felt further discussion is required:

- The conventional collective title may be an issue. The nature of the problem needs to be more clearly defined. An email discussion has been going on but no approach has been defined yet.
- EURIG agrees that more research on the "Compiler vs Editor issue" is required
- The definition of Compiler, Compilation, Relations and works of collective responsibility should be articulated more clearly.
- And the impact on RDA Code should inventoried.

Because this is quite a big issue, EURIG will prepare a paper for the Joint Steering Committee in 2013. The French working group on RDA will prepare both discussion papers on illustrations and on Compilations in collaboration with the EURIG Working Group on Aggregates.

The Chair thanked the members of the Aggregates Working Group and other people involved for their efforts.

Responses to EURIG Proposals

EURIG reviewed JSC constituency responses to our proposals. As EURIG met before the deadline for JSC submissions, several responses were not yet available. Nevertheless, EURIG took the opportunity to anticipate JSC's discussion and preview the issues that will be raised in Chicago.

6JSC/EURIG/1

Performances – Addition of examples in RDA 6.12.1.3 and 6.27.3.
Favourable responses from CILIP, ACOC and BL. No objections received, so there was no further discussion.

6JSC/EURIG/2

Date of expression – Revision of RDA 6.10.1.1 and 6.10.1.3:
LC response: suggests alternative approach
   • Add to scope of element
"The date of expression may represent the date a text was written, the date of final editing of a moving image work, the date of first broadcast for a television or radio program, the date of notation for a score, the date of the recording of an event, etc."
   • JSC consider new element: for recording the 'details on' the Date of expression or Note on Date of Expression.

EURIG (and BnF in particular) agreed with LC suggestion. Françoise Leresche will look into this in more detail.

6JSC/EURIG/3

Language of expression – Revision of RDA 6.11, 6.11.1.3, 6.11.1.4, 7.12.1.3, 26.1.1.3

ACOC and DNB are in favour. ACOC agrees making Language of Expression mandatory but prefers the following text: "…If the resource includes language content' rather than 'if the resource Includes some text…'
LC disagrees with this proposal.

EURIG accepted ACOC's suggestion regarding scope. EURIG noted LC's objections but believes explicit information should be provided about the nature of the language of expression for machine processing and discovery. EURIG is not committed to any particular solution and welcomes alternative approaches, but does not believe the status quo is adequate. .

EURIG also noted that encoding the type of language of expression will also make the code more international as users would be able to limit searches to original language, etc.
ACTION: BL will represent the EURIG position in the discussion during the JSC Meeting.

Two papers regarding musical arrangements were sent to JSC:
- Proposal 6JSC/EURIG/4 Musical arrangements – Revision of RDA 6.18.1.4 and 6.28.3.2.1
- 6JSC/EURIG/Discussion/1 - Musical arrangements discussion paper.
No responses received so far, so no discussion was possible.

The Chair provided background information on the RDA Music Joint Working Group, appointed to submit music-related proposals to the Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA (JSC), noting that the charge to the group had been revised. The members of the group represent three organizations: the Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres; the Library of Congress (U.S.A.); and, the Music Library Association (U.S.A.)
 There is an opportunity for other groups to join, because the Anglo-American group is looking for people engaged in (describing) popular music.

In Europe, DNB is also discussing options with the other German speaking countries. EURIG agrees that European input should be arranged. Massimo Gentili-Tedeschi of Ufficio Ricerca Fondi Musicali in Italy was suggested by Philippe Le Pape (ABES) as another possible contributor.

ACTION: Christine Frodl of the Deutsche Nationalbibliothek (DNB) will arrange a focus group to form a European point of view on the topic of music.

Proposals for EURIG response

JSC has received 55 proposals and discussion papers. Responses are due by 8th October.

The chair proposed a selection of proposals and discussion papers for EURIG to respond to. This selection was distributed by email. Unfortunately, not everybody received this email.
BnF and BNE have reviewed proposals which were also discussed.

EURIG will respond collectively on the selection. Responses will be assigned, distributed under EURIG members for feedback and then sent to JSC before the deadline of October 8th.

6JSC/ALA/17 (Discussion Paper)
Machine-Actionable Data Elements in RDA Chapter 3
- ALA Task Force on Machine-Actionable Data Elements in RDA Chapter 3.
- evaluate the structure of data elements in Chapter 3 that contain quantitative information
- Aspect–Unit–Quantity model
- significant impact across RDA

BnF and OCLC also identified great possibilities for managing physical processes, with the caveat that making "extent" machine actionable is not sufficient for all types of material; for example, some special collections. BnF thinks this will be especially useful for collection management.

EURIG agreed in general with this discussion paper.

EURIG would like to participate actively in this discussion with ALA, but will need some time to prepare further papers and proposals. Topics to be taken into account in selecting the options are the possible costs involved in recording data twice, for machine and human intelligibility. BNF noted the complexity of handling different forms of notation and expressed a preference for option 2b.

ACTION: Austria and Germany agreed to prepare a EURIG response (based in part on feedback from the German speaking countries). In view of the proximity of the deadline this will be taken as a general response from EURIG.

Later on, this working group will look in to more detail to this question. Verena Schaffner of the Library Network Austria will coordinate this.

ACTION: The technical aspects will be stated verbally at the JSC Meeting by Alan Danskin.

6JSC/ALA/18
Proposed Revision of RDA Instructions for Government and Non-Government Corporate Bodies
The goal of this proposal is to eliminate redundancy in the instructions for formulating the names of government and non-government bodies. Danskin noted that BL generally agreed with the proposal, but felt that Type 6 peformed a useful function and should not be eliminated.

EURIG agrees in general with this proposal.
ACTION: BNE will draft a EURIG response.

6JSC/ALA/19 *Proposed Revision of RDA 16.2.2 Preferred Name for the Place)*
- ALA proposes several amendments to existing instructions (Ireland, Malaysia, Overseas territories, etc.) (items 1, 2, 3, 5)
- ALA also proposes to add an Optional Addition to the general instruction for Places in Other Jurisdictions [current 16.2.2.11, proposed 16.2.2.12] to allow the name of the first-level administrative division to be recorded preceding the name of the country as part of the preferred name of a place. (item 4)
- ALA also proposes to reconsider the way to give the Name of larger place, either as part of the preferred name or through a relationship between places. (item 6)

On the second point, most EURIG members agreed, as EURIG discussed this point in Paris and intended to make proposal. However there are some remarks:
- What is first level administrative division? Top-down or bottom-up?

- National Library of Switzerland suggests alternative instruction: local name, name of "state", name of larger jurisdiction.

The EURIG advice is to let countries/units decide themselves the administrative levels which best fit their national organization.

It was discussed whether to propose that the option becomes the principal instruction, to make RDA more international. This would relegate the current instructions to an alternative. However, in view of ALA's commitment to further work n this area, it was questioned whether this would be a productive use of time. BnF recommended that the proposal is acceptable for the short term but would like to consider also item 6 of the proposal and to deal with these two issues together in the longer term.

EURIG accepted the proposal with comments. There are issues with the terminology where we would like clarification and a more international approach. EURIG also wants to work with ALA more closely.
ACTION: National Library of Switzerland will prepare the EURIG response.

6JSC/ALA/16 *RDA 3.19.3 for video encoding formats and addition of a new element for optical disc characteristics*
Although there is no particular objection for this specific addition regarding optical discs, EURIG sees a more generic problem here in the long run, because digital file formats develop too quickly to make this viable: can the RDA code really list and maintain these formats in perpetuity? The effort to maintain this would be too great. The cataloguing instructions cannot become file format registries as the latter change at a great extend and speed. Other organizations are doing this standardization and maintenance job.

The EURIG suggestion is therefore to make use of the work of digital constituencies and to bridge with the digital preservation community in order to relate to existing file format registries such as those maintained by the Library of Congress or as part of the PRONOM and UDFR initiatives for instance.

ACTION: A response from EURIG highlighting this issue will be prepared by Gildas Illien and Alan Danskin, who will also raise awareness on this topic in their libraries and bridge with digital preservation communities.

BnF review of RDA proposals

BnF had shared its review of proposals sent to JSC for discussion in Chicago with EURIG members prior to the meeting. EURIG discussed BnF's comments

6JSC/ALA/7 Other members shared BNF concerns. British Library will respond negatively. EURIG will therefore not respond.

6JSC/ALA/11 Common agreement that this proposal is not very clear.
ACTION: Alan Danskin looks if he can join the EURIG and BL responses.

6JSC/ALA/14 EURIG agrees that more research is necessary.
ACTION: The Working Group on Music can look into this point as well.

6JSC/BL/9 BnF doesn't see contradiction and therefore doesn't see reason for change.
Other EURIG members (BNE, Austria, and Switzerland) agree. EURIG will wait for responses from other institutions.
ACTION: BL will review responses and consider withdrawing proposal if BNF position is widely supported Alan Danskin will notify BNF of his decision before JSC meets.

6JSC/CCC/6 Common disagreement with the proposal.
ACTION: Alan Danskin will combine the EURIG and BL responses.

6JSC/CCC/10. EURIG agrees that the proposal should be amended in order to mention explicitly the ISO standard ISO 80000-3:2006 *Quantities and units -- Part 3: Space and time*
ACTION: Alan Danskin will incorporate this position in BL response.

<u>6JSC/LC/12</u> General agreement on the need of a prescribed order for the cataloguers in order to maintain consistency, but it is questioned whether such an order is relevant for display to the users.
ACTION: BnF will prepare the EURIG response.

6JSC/LC/13 ISSN, BnF, BNE and BL agree for recording acronym/initialism titles as variant title *and* as other title information.
ACTION: Alan Danskin will cover this for EURIG during the JSC Meeting. Francois-Xavier Pelegrin from ISSN will review the BL response.

BNE puts forward a change to proposal <u>6JSC/ALA/11</u>. They agree in general, but with a change. EURIG supports this.
ACTION: Alan Danskin will incorporate this in the BL response.

And also to <u>6JSC/ALA/20</u>. EURIG will not take action in this case.

ACTION: BNE sends comments to Alan Danskin

Other issues for discussion

Relationship Designators

The topic of Relationship Designators was discussed. Relationship Designators are documented in RDA Appendices I, J, K. EURIG members believe that some important relationships are not currently supported.

Denmark already has vocabularies available. The Danish Bibliographic Center (DBC) has been in contact with Judith Kuhagen (LC) and Barbara Tillett (LC) on this topic. DBC has sent their list of relationship designators. Barbara and Judith would like to receive a proposal for additions to relationship designators, Appendix I.

ACTION: BDC will prepare a proposal. EURIG will then consider if this is should become a EURIG proposal.

Formalisation of EURIG liaisons

Françoise Leresche was appointed as formal EURIG liaison to the ISBD Group.
Miriam Säfström is appointed as formal EURIG liaison to the FRBR Group.
Hanne Hørl Hansen is appointed as formal EURIG liaison to the IFLA Cataloguing Section.

Strategic Benchmark Forum

So far, EURIG has proven useful in the discussions on RDA development and implementation. EURIG could also provide a forum for members to discuss other RDA-related topics. For instance: multilingualism, linked data, licensing issues, identifiers, ISNI, VIAF, RDF, legacy data, ontologies for linked data, display of RDA data, retrospective FRBRisation, Bibframe, Who's using it?, Implementation with limited resources. The EURIG Executive Committee will look into ways of doing this.

This suggestion was approved in principle by the meeting and the next annual EURIG meeting will be extended to 1.5 days, to create space to discuss some of these matters. The option of a virtual meeting was also mentioned.

EURIG Members' Survey

This year a survey among members was held to see how far members are with the implementation of RDA. In the beginning of 2013 a new survey about implementation will be held.

ACTION: BL

Bibliographic Framework Transition Initiative (BIBFRAME)

BIBFRAME is not directly connected to RDA, but one of the recommendations from the US RDA Test was that progress towards a replacement for MARC 21 should be demonstrated.

For more information see the Bibframe WebPages at Library of Congress. The site includes a Webcast of the Update Forum at ALA Annual, in July, and links to the presentation given by Sally McCallum (LC) to International Group of Ex Libris Users (IGeLU) meeting in Zurich, in September.

BIBFRAME is in its very early stages of development. LC has awarded an initial contract to Zepheira, a linked data company, to develop an experimental model and tools to assist with visualisation. BL and DNB have been invited to participate in the initial experimental phase. Meetings between the experimenters and Zepheria will be hosted by LC in October and December.

Danskin and Frodl noted that there was very little information at this stage. EURIG members expressed their interest in knowing more and in future engagement with the project.

Date of Next EURIG Meeting

Next annual meeting will be in the National Library of Sweden in Stockholm. The date will be set after the JSC Meeting in November, when the date for the JSC Meeting 2013 is set.
The next annual meeting will be 1.5 days to provide time to discuss other matters.

During next year's EURIG Meeting a new executive committee will be appointed.

Other opportunities for informal meeting between EURIG members are:
- OCLC Meeting in Strasbourg, Feb. 26-27 2013
- VIAF Meeting (same location as above) , Feb. 26-27 2013
- IFLA Conference in Singapore, aug 2013
- ALA Meeting, summer 2013

ACTION Secretary to assess attendance/interest via Doodle

Feedback on EURIG cooperation

Gildas Illien asks people for feedback on EURIG. Members are pleased with the interaction. The input of participating countries could be divided more equally.
He also noted that JSC has acknowledged EURIG's contribution to the RDA community.

Closing

The Chair thanked the Biblioteca Nacional de España and Mar Agusti Hernandez for their hospitality, excellent venue and smooth organization of the meeting.

The Chair closed the meeting and thanked members for their participation.

Appendix A: Action Points and activity plan

What	Who	When
Discussion Paper on Illustrations for JSC 2013	Aggregates WG	For JSC meeting 2013
Discussion Paper on Compilations for JSC 2013	French Working Group RDA with the Aggregates WG	For JSC meeting 2013
Adaptation 6JSC/EURIG/2	Françoise Leresche (BnF)	To be confirmed after JSC meeting
Express EURIG point of view during JSC for 6JSC/EURIG/3	Alan Danskin (BL)	November 5-9
Form a group for Music	Christine Frodl (DNB)	
Response to 6JSC/ALA/17	Verena Schaffner	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)

What	Who	When
Response to 6JSC/ALA/18	Biblioteca Nacional de España	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Response to 6JSC/ALA/19	Christian Aliverti (SNL)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Response to 6JSC/ALA/16	Gildas Ilien (BnF) / Alan Danskin (BL)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Proposal additions to RDA Toolkit Appendix I (relationship designators)	Hanne Hørl Hansen (DB)	December 2012?
Response to 6JSC/ALA/11	Alan Danskin (BL)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Research topic 6JSC/ALA/14	Working Group on Music	By July 2015?
Response to 6JSC/CCC/6	Alan Danskin (BL)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Response to 6JSC/LC/12	Françoise Leresche (BnF)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Verbal response to 6JSC/LC/13	Alan Danskin (BL)	JSC Meeting
Response to 6JSC/ALA/11	Alan Danskin (BL)	ASAP (JSC deadline: October 8th)
Members' Survey	Katharine Gryspeerdt (BL)	February 2013

Appendix B: Attendees

Alan Danskin	British Library
Camilla Riis Petersen	Danish Agency for Culture
Christian Aliverti	Swiss National Library
Christine Frodl	Deutsche Nationalbibliothek
Daniel van Spanje	OCLC
Françoise Leresche	Bibliothèque National de France
François-Xavier Pelegrin	ISSN International Centre
Gabriele Messmer	Bavarian State Library
Gildas Illien	Bibliothèque National de France
Giovanni Aldi	Casalini Libri
Hanne Horl Hansen	Danish Agency for Culture
Irena Kavcic	National and University Library Slovenia
Laura Peters	KB - National Library of The Netherlands
Leszek Sniezko	NUKAT Center of Warsaw University Library
Mar Hernández Agustí	Biblioteca Nacional de España
Marja-Liisa Seppälä	National Library of Finland
Marjatta Autiio-Tuuli	National Library of Finland
Mauro Guerrini	Università di Firenze
Miriam Säfström	National Library of Sweden
Nina Berve	The National Library of Norway
Patrizia Martini	ICCU Italy
Philippe Le Pape	Agence Bibliographique de l´enseignement supérieur
Pilar Tejero	Biblioteca Nacional de España
Ricardo Santos	Biblioteca Nacional de España
Rita Albrecht	Consortium of Library Networks - Germany
Roberto Gómez	Biblioteca Nacional de España
Verena Schaffner	Austrian Library Network Ltd