

RSC/ExtentWG/2025/5/WCEO  
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To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee  
CC: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary  
From: Getaneh Alemu, WCEO  
Subject: Formal response to RSC/ExtentWG/2025/5 - Proposal for Manifestation:  
extent of embodied content and its subtype elements

**Recommendation 1:** Create the element Manifestation: extent of embodied content. Associate the new vocabulary encoding scheme RDA Layout of Embodied Content with this element.

I **approve** of this, but providing examples would help clarify the concept for cataloguers. Please add a scope note explaining that the extent of embodied content relates to layout and presentation rather than the physical size of the carrier. This might also be something the RDA Examples Editor will be considering including. I believe that individuals using the instructions in the Toolkit would gain a better understanding with the inclusion of examples.

**Recommendation 2.1:** Delete Manifestation: configuration of playback channels and replace it with two new elements, Manifestation: designation of number of sound channels and Manifestation: number of sound channels.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 2.2:** Separate from Manifestation: configuration of playback channels the element Manifestation: designation of number of sound channels, retaining it as a subtype of Manifestation: sound characteristic.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 2.3:** Separate from Manifestation: configuration of playback channels the element Manifestation: number of sound channels, retaining it as a subtype of Manifestation: sound characteristic. Add Manifestation: number of sound channels as a subtype of Manifestation: extent of embodied content.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 3:** For the current element Manifestation: resolution replace the element reference label “resolution” with “image resolution”. Add Manifestation: image resolution as a subtype of Manifestation: extent of embodied content.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 4:** Add Manifestation: reduction ratio as a subtype of Manifestation: extent of embodied content.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 5:** Add Manifestation: reduction ratio designation as a subtype of Manifestation: extent of embodied content.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 6:** Create the new element Manifestation: dimensions of embodied content. Add Manifestation: dimensions of embodied content as a subtype of Manifestation: extent of embodied content.

**Approve.**

**Recommendation 7:** Create a new vocabulary encoding scheme RDA Layout Unit of Embodied Content.

**Recommendation 7.1:** column – update definition  
**Approve.**

**Recommendation 7.2:** frame – new term  
**Approve.**

**Recommendation 7.3:** line – new term.  
**Approve.**

**Recommendation 7.4:** page – update definition.  
**Approve.**