

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee
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Subject: Formal response to RSC/ExamplesEditor/2026/2, Proposal to revise guidance chapter section **Introduction to RDA: Examples**

General remarks

Many thanks to Examples Editor for compiling this crucial proposal. Clarifying how and when string encoding schemes are used in examples in the RDA Toolkit fills a gap.

From a translator's perspective, it is particularly important, that the proposal, as it is phrased in the Justification chapter, "recognizes the ongoing interoperability between RDA and ISBD and the importance of the latter to many communities of practice".

Recommendation 1: Add a new paragraph in the guidance chapter section Introduction to RDA: Examples to clarify how and when string encoding schemes are used in examples in the RDA Toolkit.

I approve.