Beginning Cataloguing at #SLAEurope19


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Overview
This workshop is aimed at participants who work in environments that do not use the international standards and / or exchange formats taught in most library cataloguing courses. One of the main benefits of such standards and formats is easier data sharing. If we don’t work in a library that shares data with others, the format of our data can be tailored solely to our inhouse practices and needs. This is neither a “good thing” nor a “bad thing.” It’s a feature of many special libraries.

In this 40-minute workshop, the focus is threefold:
• Increase confidence in our local practices to meet the needs of our users
• Be aware of the main standards and formats and how they contribute to the general field of Cataloguing, its ideas and literature
• Think about how the standards and formats have / have not influenced our own corporate and individual practices.

Standards and Formats
• AACR2 (Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules. Second Edition)
  o Available in loose-leaf format and also as part of the RDA Toolkit
• RDA (Resource Description and Access)
  o RDA Toolkit, https://www.rdatoolkit.org
• MARC21 (MAchine Readable Cataloguing for 21st Century)
  o https://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/ (and https://www.loc.gov/marc/authority/ for authority data)
• Bibframe (BIBliographic FRAMEwork Initiative)
  o https://www.loc.gov/bibframe/

Bibliographic Models for RDA and Bibframe

1. IFLA-LRM (Library Reference Model)

Based on the Work-Expression-Manifestation-Item (WEMI) model in FRBR (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records, IFLA 1998), the documentation for IFLA-LRM is at https://www.ifla.org/publications/node/11412
You will also encounter discussions about *nomen* and *res* quite frequently. If you are interested, you can find descriptions and diagrams in the IFLA-LRM and the RDA Toolkit. In a 45-minute workshop, we are focusing solely on highlights that are likely to be useful to a large number of people in thinking about how their own data is modelled.

2. Bibframe’s Work-Instance-Item (WII) Model

RDA Is All Around Us
New records at [http://authorities.loc.gov](http://authorities.loc.gov) are RDA. This means that if and when we create new name headings on our systems, if we follow authorities.loc.gov we are introducing RDA to part of our system.

Low-Stress Keeping Up-To-Date
One of the regular training topics for which we are booked is keeping up-to-date with international standards. You can always find the most recent version of this handout in the “Free Stuff” section of [http://beginningcataloguing.com](http://beginningcataloguing.com) and we will always flag up when we update this information on Twitter @beginningcat

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