

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

Annual report 2010

The Cataloguing Section strives to be the centre of international developments in cataloguing theory, activities, and standards development within IFLA. The Section analyses the functions of cataloguing activities for all types of materials and media, including both bibliographic and authority information, for the benefit of all users. The Section proposes and develops cataloguing rules, guidelines, and standards for bibliographic information, taking into account the developing electronic and networked environment in order to promote universal access to and exchange of bibliographic and authority information. The Section also provides leadership in the development of various standards and guidelines related to bibliographic activities, such as corporate name headings, authority entries, and OPAC displays.

Membership

The section has 145 members.

The standing committee consists of 20 members and five corresponding members, representing 18 countries. One member and two corresponding members are from Asia and one corresponding member is from Africa. Europe (with Russia) and North America are well covered but we are still eager to have participation from the remainder of Asia and from Africa, Central America, and South America.

Standing Committee members as of September 1, 2010

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Meetings - August 2010, Gothenburg

The Section's Standing Committee met in two sessions during the Gothenburg conference, attended by 63 and 44 persons respectively, observers included. Main topics of discussion included the following:

- reports of projects (see table below);
- reports of working groups and review groups (see table below);
- update of the strategic plan for 2009-2011 and discussions on what items should be included in the new Action Plan of the section;
- discussions on the continuation of the International Cataloguing and Bibliographic Control (ICBC), possibly in new electronic format;
- continued discussion of the role of IFLA standards, particularly the standards within the field of bibliographic control and the creation of an IFLA Core Activity for Bibliographic Control;
- continued discussion on the creation of namespaces for IFLA FRBR and ISBD entities and in conjunction with that also the creation of MulDiCat, an international dictionary of cataloguing terms, long wanted, but not able to be realised until now;
- establishment of a new Special Interest Group (SIG) on the Semantic Web together with the Section on Information Technology;
- reports from the Leadership Forum of the Library Services Division.

Projects and Working Groups

Title	Chair	Status
ISBD Review Group	Elena Escolano Rodríguez	The definitive edition of the consolidated ISBD has now been finalised and is ready to be published early 2011. The Study Group on Material Designations terminated its work on a new "area 0" for Content Form and Media Type. The proposed new "area 0" was approved after worldwide review. The set of Full ISBD Examples containing full bibliographic descriptions following the ISBD guidelines will be reviewed during 2011 to include the new "area 0". A preliminary RDF registration of ISBD elements in the NSDL Registry (recently renamed the Open Metadata Registry) has been finished.

Working Group on Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms and Concepts	Barbara B. Tillett	The work on this project has been restarted together with the work on creating namespaces for FRBR and ISBD entities. It now contains terms and concepts from 25 different languages and more are about to be included. It includes terms from the ICP glossary, along with terminology from ISBD, FRBR and FRAD. Additional ISBD terminology will be included as well.
Working Group on Anonymous Classics	Nadine Boddaert	The list of Chinese classics is still awaiting publication after preparation by Ben Gu and Nadine Boddaert. It was handed in for publication in December 2009.
FRBR Review Group	Pat Riva	The responsibility of the FRBR Review Group for the FRBR family of models was discussed. It is important that the three models are consolidated and this consolidation process is the main responsibility of the Review Group. Once a Core Activity on Bibliographic Standards has been created it is necessary to look into where the FR family of models is best placed, in the Cataloguing Section or maybe directly under the core activity.
Working Group on an International Cataloguing Code	Barbara Tillett	The work on an international cataloguing code will be postponed until after the first evaluation of the Statement of International Cataloguing Principles which will start in 2011 and is planned to be finished by 2013.
Names of Persons	Judy Kuhagen	Bodil Gustavsson agreed to take on the task after Judy Kuhagen, who was not able to continue with this duty anymore.

Publications

Two issues of the Section's newsletter, SCATnews, published: no. 32 in January 2010 and no. 33 in July 2010.

For further information on publications related to the work of the ISBD Review Group and the FRBR Review Group and their own groups, see the following: http://www.ifla.org/en/isbd-rg and http://www.ifla.org/en/frbr-rg.

Conference programmes

The Section reported on its activities in a short presentation highlighting the main activities of the year: above all the continuing work within the FRBR and ISBD Review Groups. Particularly the newly approved new components within the FR family of entity models, the Functional Requirements for Authority Data (FRAD) and the Functional Requirements for Subject Authority Data (FRSAD) were mentioned. It was also reported that the first consolidated edition of the International Standard Bibliographic Description (ISBD) has been finalised and will be published, with an appendix with examples, during 2011.

The new cataloguing code *Resource Description and Access* (RDA) attracted a lot of attention as it has in previous years, and a second, special satellite meeting on that topic is planned for August 2011 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The section's open programme theme was "Multilingual bibliographic access: promoting universal access." The three presentations are listed below. Approximately 300 people attended this programme. Almost all the papers were translated to all IFLA languages and are now available on the IFLA website.

- Hanne Hørl Hansen, DBC, Copenhagen, Denmark, *Using relator codes in connection with accesspoints instead of quoting statements of responsibility.*
- Frank Förster, Christian-Albrechts-Universität, Kiel, *Bibliographic and universal access:* historic sources and fictional works with FRBR^{oo}
- Jan Pisanski and Maja Žumer, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, together with Trond Aalberg, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, *Identifiers, bridging language barriers*.

A fourth paper by 'Mabafokeng Makara with the title *Incorporating multilingual bibliographic records into library databases: the case of Lesotho*, could regretfully not be presented, since the speaker was not able to receive funding for her travel to Gothenburg.

Relationships with Other Bodies

The Section officers work with officers of the other sections in the Library Services Division. John Hostage is a non-voting representative from the Section to the American Library Association's Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access. Marg Stewart, the Canadian Committee for Cataloguing's representative to the Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA (JSC), was named as the liaison between the JSC and the Cataloguing Section; she is also an ex officio member of the ISBD Review Group and the FRBR Review Group. The Standing Committee invites other rule-making bodies to name liaisons to the Cataloguing Section

For the Cataloguing Section:

Anders Cato, Chair Ana Barbarić, Secretary Date: December 31, 2010