Action Plan 2023-2025 (Based on Action Plan 2021 – 2023)

Name of Professional Unit: Permanent UNIMARC Committee

Focus Area 0

Ongoing work with developing and maintaining UNIMARC formats by discussing proposals of UNIMARC users

Defining additional fields, subfields, and coded values – UNIMARC Bibliographic Format and UNIMARC Authorities

Each year we receive between 20-30 proposals that we discuss at Permanent UNIMARC Annual Meetings.

The annual PUC meeting is regularly between April 15 and June 1, dealing with the proposals is March 20.

Focus Area 1

Increasing UNIMARC Visibility

Permanent Updating of UNIMARC Bibliographic and UNIMARC Authorities online edition.

As a part of the IFLA Matadata ecosystem, the PUC will together with LIDATAC transform UNIMARC documentation from text fields into the HTML separate fields files to be compatible with the ISBDM documentation.

In collaboration with the ISBDM RG PUC will establish the linking system from ISBDM elements to the UNIMARC

In collaboration with the LIDATEC, PUC will Continue UNIMARC Namespace programme

Permanent update of the PUC web pages

The Future of UNIMARC – start the open discussion on the future of UNIMARC within ER cataloguing within PUC, other IFLA groups, and UNIMARC users' Group

IFLA Strategic Direction

1.1 Develop standards, guidelines, and other materials that foster the best professional practice

Key Initiatives

1	Upload UNIMARC format documentation on IFLA PUC web pages	
2	Register UNIMARC Authorities elements namespaces with updated material	
3	Revision of PUC webpages with quality access to UNIMARC documents	
4	Define principles and action plan for UNIMARC/ER (for E-R cataloguing)	
5	Continue the dialogue with UNIMARC users.	

Funding Needed	Projects/Activities	Tasks & Responsibility	Timeframe
	Register UNIMARC Authorities Namespaces Register new and maintain existing UNIMARC Bibliographic and UNIMARC Authorities Namespaces. Three PUC members have to be trained for updating UNIMARC Namespaces 2017-2021.	PUC & LIDATAC	Jan. 2024 – Dec 2025
	Prepare a plan for introducing UNIMARC/ER; deliver education material for maintenance if needed	PUC	Jan. 2024 – Dec 2025
	Future of UNIMARC, discussion at UNIMARC Users Group Meeting	PUC	Okt. 2023 – May 2024

How will you communicate your activities and results?

Since the UNIMARC online edition will be on IFLA web pages, all national UNIMARC committees and individual users will be in the position to access UNIMARC format documentation directly. Information about UNMARC online editions will be spread through UNIMARC Users Group Meetings, IFLA Metadata Newsletter, etc.

How will you measure the impact of your activities?

Feedback from National UNIMARC committees and their representatives in PUC and through the regular questionnaire to UNIMARC users in national libraries.

Identify other Unit(s) which may be interested in this Focus Area, or with which you could collaborate on projects/activities.

Committee on Standards, Bibliographic Section, Cataloguing Section, ISBDM RG

Focus Area 2

UNIMARC Harmonization with IFLA LRM, ISBDM and cataloguing codes based on IFLA LRM.

Working on harmonization ISBDM – UNIMARC for the manifestations. Collaboration with ISBDMRG.

Working on UNIMARC vocabularies based on UNIMARC/A and UNIMARC/B coded data.

Publishing the IFLA LRM (extended with RDA) – UNIMARC mapping table for the work and expression

Working on harmonization LRM (extended with RDA) with UNIMARC for agents.

IFLA Strategic Direction

2.1 Develop guidelines and other materials that foster the best professional practice

Key Initiatives

1	Revising and publishing Mapping table IFLA LRM – UNIMARC for works and expressions on the PUC webpages
2	Working on ISBDM – UNIMARC mapping table for manifestations

3	Coordinate IFLA experts, and UNIMARC National Committees using RDA and IFLA LRM-like description rules to prepare new proposals for UNIMARC/ER		
Funding Needed	Projects/Activities	Tasks & Responsibility	Timeframe
	Publishing LRM (extended with RDA) – UNIMARC for works and expressions	PUC SG, CfU (Héloïse Lecomte)	November 2023
	Mapping table ISBDM – UNIMARC for manifestations	PUC SG, ISBDMRG, Mirna Willer	2023-2025
	Preparing and publishing UNIMARC vocabularies	PUC	2023-2025
	Preparing principles and model for UNIMARC/ER	IFLA Experts, PUC	2023-2025

How will you communicate your activities and results?

PUC webpages, PUC Users' Meeting, webinars

How will you measure the impact of your activities?

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BCM Review Group; ISBD Review Group; Bibliographic section, Cataloguing section.

Project Funding Request 2022 – 2025

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Project or activity Use your list above	Future of UNIMARC, discussion at UNIMARC Users Group Meeting
Resources and Amount of Funding	IFLA experts who are going to have an invited lectures on UNIMARC for Entity- Relationship Cataloguing
For what do you need resources in relation to this	The amount is 2000 € and will be used for:
task? What is the estimated amount of funding	- Travel costs
required for these resources? Refer to the	- Hotel costs
Project Funding Request Criteria.	
Estimate time and cost.	May 2024
Give a breakdown of the tasks in your project	
that require funding. Give an estimate for the	
work time and funds dedicated to each task.	
Reimbursement. When would the money need reimbursement?	Travel and hotel costs have to be paid according to the invoice
Usually, reimbursements are made following completion of the work, however, pre-payment can be arranged in some circumstances	