UNIMARC FOR ENTITY RELATIONSHIP CATALOGUING

Structuring principles, current issues and opportunities

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Structuring Principles

- Full IFLA-LRM
- RDA/ISBD as an intermediary
- Direct entity-relationship management
- Not a new format

One format, two cataloguing options:

- UNIMARC ER
- « traditional » UNIMARC
Structuring Principles

Classic A/B cataloguing

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Current situation: almost there!

How far along are we?

- URI management
- UNIMARC Namespace
- Work
- Expression
- Manifestation
- Other entities

An experimental dataset

https://zenodo.org/communities/tbsd_documentation
Pending questions and ongoing work

• A full IFLA-LRM conformant UNIMARC ER
  • Manifestation (ISBD)
  • Agents
  • Timespan, Item…

• Future of UNIMARC
  • Needs and strategies for current UNIMARC users :
    • Practical issues and possible approaches to IFLA-LRM implementation
    • enriching « classic » UNIMARC ?

• Integration with other IFLA standards
  • Namespace
  • Mappings (ISBDM, IFLA-LRM…)