



ISBD Review Group

ISBD RG 2022 Midyear Meeting and BM II - 28 March 2022, via Zoom

MINUTES

Attendees

ISBD RG members and liaisons: Elena Escolano Rodríguez (Chair of the Content Update Task Force), Renate Behrens (Chair of the Manifestation Task Force, Liaison with the RDA Steering Committee) Gordon Dunsire (member, Independent Consultant to the Manifestation Task Force), Mélanie Roche (member, Chair of the Bib-Linked Data Study Group), Dorothy McGarry (honorary member), Mikael Wetterstrom (member, ISSN International Centre Liaison), Saeedeh Akbari-Daryan (member), Szabina Ilácsa (member), Jennifer Dimisaca (member), Judit Fejes (member), Irena Kavčič (corresponding member), Anders Cato (liaison from Danish Agency for Culture), Christopher Holden (liaison from IAML), Rehab Ouf (Chair)

Apologies: Massimo Gentili-Tedeschi (corresponding member), Mirna Willer (corresponding member), Flavia Bruni (member), Kim Hyejin (member), Ben Gu (corresponding member)

Invitees & Observers: Susan Morris (Cataloguing Section), Ricardo Santos Muñoz (Cataloguing Section), Gordana Mazić (PUC Chair), Agnese Galeffi (BCM RG), Jay Weitz (OCLC, Bibliography Section)

1. Welcome and introductions

Rehab Ouf welcomed the attendees and announced that this meeting will combine the ISBD RG midyear meeting and WLIC 2021 BM II that did not take place during the past months due to the late settlement of the ISBD Review Group membership.

2. Approval of the agenda

Agenda was accepted with a motion from Rehab Ouf to have item no. 12 (Reporting from liaisons and other groups) reported to a future meeting.

3. ISBD RG membership – remaining issues

Rehab Ouf: the ISBD RG has just settled its membership, not following the original IFLA's timeline for 2021 elections. This late settlement that extended through January 2022 had repercussions on meetings and planning as well as the RG's timeline that need to be redressed. The appointment of new and renewing members has been made by the Advisory Committee on Standards based on ISBD RG recommendations. Due to ties, it went through 2

rounds of selection, showing a great interest in joining the ISBD RG and the good candidates the RG had. Introduction meeting to welcome the new members took place via Zoom on January 12, 2022. The election of the chair took through mid-February. (for ISBD RG membership 2021-2025, see *Appendix D*), with Rehab Ouf re-elected as chair.

The ISBD RG membership has a good geographic representation with 12 members (full quota for RGs) for members entering by appointment. The liaisons, as appointed by their institutions, are continuing with us except Regina Varnienė-Janssen who has asked to step down for retirement. Rehab Ouf pointed out that new liaisons can be added to support the alignment of ISBD to LRM or any future mandate, and that the timeframe for this is open, upon need and as required. Rest to know what will be the process for appointing experts and advisors in replacement of corresponding members in the RG, as this issue has not been settled yet by the ACS as delegated by IFLA HQ.

Action: Rehab Ouf will raise the issue of experts appointment in future meetings of the Advisory Committee on Standards.

4. IFLA news

4.1. WLIC 2022, in-person congress (<https://2022.ifla.org/>)

WLIC 2022 will take place in July 26-29, 2022, in Dublin (Ireland). IFLA will have a 100% face to face congress this year with no virtual components, for the first time after the pandemic. WLIC 2022 will be shorter with 3 days sessions instead of 4.5 and only 1 standing committee/business meeting for each unit instead of 2, with the second meeting to take place virtually within a month after the congress. The sessions will be shorter and the session formats will be flexible and varied, like those introduced in the virtual WLIC 2021. This year congress will also have satellite meetings.

4.2. ISBD RG WLIC 2022 business meetings

ISBD RG BM I will take place during the congress and BM II will take place virtually via Zoom as said above. Talking about the physical attendance of WLIC 2022, Renate Behrens pointed out that uncertainty is surrounding the situation; although there are plans in the National German Library to attend Dublin, the situation is still unclear as nobody knows what will happen in the next weeks and we all have to be very flexible.

5. Chair's update

Rehab Ouf skipped this item of the agenda, since most will be covered in the following agenda items and other news and updates have been communicated instantly through Basecamp or via email.

6. Development of the Standard: ISBD Revisions

6.1. *2021 Update* publishing, & activities of Content Update TF

Elena Escolano, Chair of the Content Update Task Force, reported that there has not been much work since the last RG meeting. The *2021 Update of the ISBD* was published in late December 2021 as a Draft, waiting its endorsement in early 2022 by the Professional Council. The Draft has received positive feedbacks sent to chairs of the RG and the Content

Update Task Force. IFLA HQ has sent on March 14, 2022 copyediting guidelines to prepare the text of the *Update* for official publication, including some arrangements of format, review and update the links in the list of references (following changes in IFLA website and repository) and retitling of the Update to be *2021 Update*.

Rehab Ouf highlighted that the *Update* published as a draft in late December 2021 had much attention from communities inside and outside IFLA. It caught the attention of non ISBD cataloguing communities including the Cataloging and Classification Committee (CCC) of the ALA's Map & Geospatial Information Round Table (MAGIRT). They held a 2 hour workshop about cartographic resources in the *ISBD Update* with the participation of Dorothy MacGarry as our representative and sent a Thank you note to the chairs of RG and TF praising the ISBD RG work to improve description of astronomical cartographic resources. It was very lifting to see that ISBD is getting much attention and appreciation from non-IFLA and non-ISBD cataloguing communities.

6.2. *ISBD for Manifestation*, and activities of Manifestation Task Force

Renate Behren, Chair of the Manifestation Task Force, gave a brief overview about the work progress in the Manifestation Task Force. The task force had nearly monthly meetings since the beginning of its work and it will be having an extended meeting early April. The TF worked out all the basic documents for the further work including elements set for the ISBD for Manifestation (ISBDM) which is updated regularly. A small editorial group is working currently on a first draft for the alignment of the ISBD to IFLA LRM, taking Area 4 as a model. The TF had agreements on the basic principles it will follow, issues include for example how prescriptive the ISBDM should be, rest to put all these principles into work.

The Manifestation TF hopes to have a consultation with the RG on the first draft of ISBDM when it will be ready, and for agreements on some issues for the further work and the completion of its mission. Plans about this consultation and about the further steps will be among the main topics of April meeting. Renate thanked the TF for its work, which seems easy when reporting but has huge works behind it.

Rehab Ouf informed the ISBD RG that the Manifestation TF has now a former liaison, Mirna Willer, with the Permanent UNIMARC Committee (PUC), for coordination of work and mutual informing. Gordana Mazić, PUC's Chair, added that PUC has received from the TF the table enclosing ISBDM table of elements. PUC is continuously updated by newest versions of the table and will set a WG to work on these elements in UNIMARC, waiting for a final list for implementation in UNIMARC.

7. **ISBD vocabularies and IFLA namespaces**

Rehab Ouf read the brief report sent for this meeting by Joseph Hafner, chair of LIDATEC. (see *Appendix II*).

8. **ISBD Review Group projects (continuing and new)**

This item was tackled in the presentation of Action Plan 2022- 2023. See item 10 .

9. **Event planning and promotion**

9.1. WLIC 2021 – short review of “*ISBD in Transition*” session

The ISBD RG had an open session for the first time in WLICs in the virtual WLIC 2021. The session titled “*ISBD in Transition*” had 3 presentations presenting the 3 aspects of the transition of ISBD: updating itself to expand its coverage of resources, aligning itself to LRM, and projecting to the future. Participants in the Zoom agreed that the session was successful. Susan Morris, from CATS SC, said that it was very successful and that although in the Library of Congress they do not apply ISBD directly, the session was very interesting, it was an educational experience, very clearly presented. It had a very good coverage of the revision works, it was exactly the right level of detail for non-ISBD specialists in applying the standard without overwhelming them with details.

Rehab Ouf commented that this means that the session achieved its advertising and visibility aims. She added: the Q&A room following the session had 60+ participants despite overlap with the joint open session of the Bibliography and Subject Analysis and Access Sections.

9.2. 2022 virtual events – events planning teams [action plan item]

Rehab Ouf said that based on last year experience organizing and participating in virtual sessions and the New Horizon webinar, the strategic choice for the ISBD RG this year will be to organize webinars, outside the physical WLIC 2022, without compromising ISBD Review Group reporting and presentation in the Advisory Committee on Standards business meetings and open session. 2 webinars are proposed to promote the revision works, one short session for the Updated ISBD, before WLIC 2021, and a one day webinar in Fall 2022 for the ISBD for Manifestation. Renate added that this webinar and its date will be discussed further in the Manifestation TF next meeting to show when some stable content can be shown and discussed.

10. ISBD RG Action Plan 2021-2023

Rehab Ouf presented the new form of the action plan for RGs which emphasizes their status as strategic groups with coordination and monitoring mandates inside and outside IFLA. She projected and presented the Action Plan 2021-2023 that was communicate to members few days ago.

Action: ISBD RG Action Plan 2021 - 2023¹ will remain open to members amendments, subscription to tasks and activities until ***Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 3:00 pm CEST***, after which date and amendments it will be submitted officially to the Advisory Committee on Standards and IFLA HQ. Update: action plan officially submitted on the said date.

11. ISBD and MulDiCat

In her capacity as chair of the MulDiCat (Multilingual Dictionary of Cataloguing Terms) working group, Mélanie Roche gave a brief overview of MulDiCat. Her talk focused on how MulDiCat was conceived, in addition to the other documentation² provided by her when submitting the vocabulary for review by the ISBD Review Group, that was originally requested by mid-April. The review and approval of the concerned groups like the ISBD RG is mandatory before going higher and further in the approval and endorsement of MulDiCat by IFLA’s Advisory Committee on Standards. The aim for now is to include the

¹ [Action Plan 2021 -2023](#) on ISBD RG Basecamp

² [MulDiCat submission](#) on ISBD RG Basecamp

bibliographic standards vocabularies as they are. There will be a further stage of development of MulDiCat - not settled yet -, in which MulDiCat will be properly maintained by proper IFLA's maintaining body; the focus at this stage is solely on consolidating vocabularies for the proofed and published standards. Gordon Dunsire stressed that a maintenance mechanism providing for future developments of MulDiCat should be sought.

Rehab Ouf commented that in the documentation submitted by MulDiCat Chair it was said that the team made some editorial choices which may have impact on ISBD vocabulary, either for choices of terms or in some definitions to achieve compliance between the different standards. So careful study of ISBD vocabulary in MulDiCat is needed to achieve an informing review.

Having looked into the vocabulary, Elena Escolano observed that more time is needed to conduct a careful review of ISBD vocabulary and if the 2021 Update will be published next week the new terms added should also be considered for inclusion in MulDiCat. Elena emphasized that as a dictionary of cataloguing terms MulDiCat is an important tool for librarians to look for terms. She therefore recommend that in further development stages MulDiCat include *see also* references to maximize its usefulness for cataloguers.

Action: The ISBD Review Group will send feedback to the MulDiCat team about ISBD vocabulary in MulDiCat by *end of June 2022*, after a two-step review process: (a) a dedicated task group (TG) formed for this purpose, then (b) the ISBD RG will work on the findings by the TG. The TG will be composed of Elena Escolano as chair, Dorothy McGarry, Ricardo Santos as liaison form MulDiCat WG and Rehab Ouf as observer.

The ISBD RG members agreed to have a Zoom meeting before WLIC 2022. Date to be determined later through a poll closer to the date of WLIC 2022.

The meeting was adjourned.

Appendix I: ISBD Review Group membership 2021 – 2025

Continuing, renewal, new

1. Elena Escolano Rodríguez (Spain) second term ends 2025
2. Flavia Bruni (Italy) first term ends 2023
3. Gordon Dunsire (UK) second term ends 2023
4. Hollie White (Australia) first term ends 2023
5. Kim Hyejin (Korea) first term ends 2025
6. Jennifer Dimisaca (Philippines) first term ends 2025
7. Judit Fejes (Hungary) first term ends 2023
8. Mélanie Roche (France) second term ends 2023
9. Rehab Ouf (Egypt) (Chair) first term ends 2023
10. Renate Behrens (Germany) second term ends 2025
11. Saeedeh Akbari-Daryan (Iran) first term ends 2023
12. Szabina Ilacska (Hungary) first term ends 2025

Outgoing

Ricardo Santos Muñoz, Spain

Honorary and experts (used to be corresponding members)

1. Dorothy McGarry (USA)
2. Ben Gu (China)
3. Irena Kavčič (Slovenia)
4. Massimo Gentili-Tedeschi (Italy)
5. Mirna Willer (Croatia)

Liaisons

1. Adelaida Caro Martín (IFLA Rare Books and Special Collections Section)
2. Anders Cato (Danish Agency for Culture)
3. Chris Holden (IAML)
4. Elena Ravelli (Commissione REICAT)
5. Mikael Wetterstrom (ISSN International Centre)
6. Takahiro Watanabe (Committee on Cataloging of the Japan Library Association)

*Regina Varnienė-Janssen (Lithuania) has asked to step down for retirement]

Appendix II: Update on IFLA Namespaces for the ISBD Review Group Midyear virtual meeting, by Joseph Hafner, Chair of LIDATEC

(copied from email dated Friday 25th March 2022)

Text of the email:

Rehab,

Here's something to convey to the group:

LIDATEC continues to meet regularly to move forward on the IFLA Namespaces project. We are adding more context to the website to help be more outward facing in our approach, so that people using the website will have a better understanding of what is there, who is responsible for the standards there, when were they updated and other information to help users. With this we are also encouraging all of the groups with standards there, including ISBD, to ensure they are posting the most recent versions of the standards on the IFLA Namespaces. We also encourage the various groups to move away from PDF versions of the standards to a more dynamic version using your IFLA website and the IFLA Namespaces together to share the information about the IFLA standards. We are looking forward to working with your group as you update ISBD and share those updates on the IFLA Namespaces.

Sincerely,

Joseph Hafner
Chair, LIDATEC

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