

RDA P13 Breakout 8

JOINT MEETING

✔ Metadata IG, ● Metadata Standards Catalog WG, ✔ Data
in Context IG

Room: Commonwealth B, Second Floor (Remote Access
Available)

<https://rd-alliance.org/joint-session-ig-metadata-wg-metadata-standards-catalog-ig-data-context-rda-13th-plenary-meeting>

Presentations

A google folder for you to upload your slides. All the slides will need to be on the presentation computer so that remote participants can see them. Link to folder:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hBaDIUaVEO4HO2WHs0znT1HHInNP8Sjg?usp=sharing>

Attendance Sheet

bit.ly/2YJUSDN

Session Notes

All slides will be available on the Metadata Interest Group page:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/metadata-p13-philadelphia>

Metadata Standards Catalog:

<https://rdamsc.bath.ac.uk/>

Alex Ball presented the current operational version of the catalog hosted at University of Bath UK. He showed how easy it is to (a) upload the information on a new schema; (b) retrieve or browse to find appropriate schemas.

The session concluded with (a) an appeal for all to upload information on any metadata schemas they knew about that were not in the catalog; (b) to recommend to any contacts that they use the catalog to find relevant schemas for their research usage

Metadata Elements

Keith Jeffery presented the history of the generation of the metadata element set intended to become a RDA recommendation for a canonical rich metadata element set to be used as the target for conversion from other metadata schemas in order to permit interoperability. The key aspects are that the elements should have formal syntax (with referential and functional integrity) and declared semantics (through rich ontological structures to permit management of the relationships of terms including multilinguality). Each element has an associated google doc. Despite much work at previous RDA plenaries, more needs to be done. Keith asked for volunteers to lead a small group to update documents for each of the elements. During the meeting we had two volunteers:

Focusing on

Identifiers, License (Nick Juty, University of Manchester)

Quality: Jane Greenberg, Drexel University

It was agreed that volunteers (too shy to declare at the meeting) should send email to the MIG group list for the particular element for which they are volunteering.

Discussion

Maggie Hellström suggested that there was a need to concentrate on physical storage of metadata schemas so that there is a sustainable serving of schemas when requested.

Presentations from other WGs/IGs

Rebecca Koskela chaired the major section of this session. In the context of MIG being the 'umbrella' Interest Group in RDA for all things metadata, 5 other groups presented their activity at this plenary and the relationship to MIG activity was discussed.

In discussion the links to provenance and identifiers was raised, Keith Jeffery reminded the audience that both of those groups had been presenting at previous MIG joint metadata sessions at previous RDA plenaries.

Agreed Actions from Guest Groups @ MIG

Physical and digital collections

1. Proposed schema into Metadata Standards Catalogue (MSC)
2. Relate schema to RDA MIG element set

Data discovery

1. Any schemas discovered not in MSC - if so put in
2. Align common elements to one RDA recommended set

DFT/Vocabulary

Terminology (valid values of instances) for each of the metadata elements

GO FAIR

1. Ensure RDA metadata elements provide enough for FAIR compliance
2. Ensure Go FAIR recommendations include the collected views of RDA MIG members

Chemistry

1. Relate DataCite schema (really a profile of DataCite) to element set