RDA in D-A-CH

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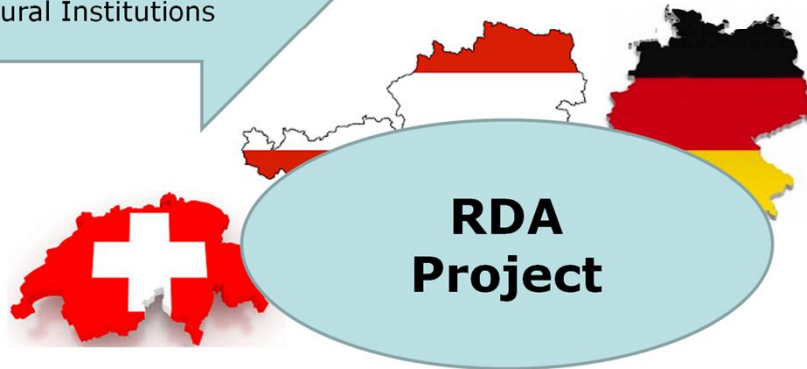in three countries

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The first step of the implementation of RDA came to an end at the beginning of the year 2016. All 16 institutions which were partners in the project have started cataloguing according to RDA. During the months before cataloguing start, several comprehensive trainings prepared the staff in the participating libraries for the switch. The practical work started well; the coming months will show the further needs and what impact the use oft the standard RDA will have.

Status of the Implementation

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The main objectives for 2016 will be the work on topics which could not be solved in between the project duration (e.g. the description of hierarchies) and to develop procedures contributing continuingly to the standardization work regarding RDA.

Authority Data

RDA has been implemented for the Integrated Authority file (GND) in mid 2015.

Since July 2014, 500.562 records have been cataloged according to RDA.

Persons	363.259
Corporate bodies	53.964
Conferences	23.833
Works	13.837
Geographic information	9.442

For the need of the Swiss National Library we add in the authority records of the GND we add a language code to the cross-references in the official Swiss languages. The online catalogues of the Swiss libraries will analyse this code and display the headings in the users' preferred language.

The Swiss National Library started also to introduse RDA in the authority file of the archival database.

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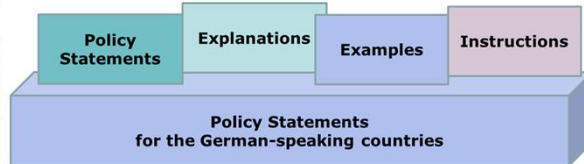
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Trainings

- Modularized materials – starting with Module 1 (Introduction to FRBR) until Module 6 (Special Materials)
- Worked out in a cooperative process by all project partners
- Regular updates
- 2017 ff under the responsibility of the German National Library
- Great demand for trainings from libraries and institutions outside the RDA project.
- The German National Library is providing external trainings since January 2016

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The most important medium for all documentation, information and
communication is the RDA Info Wiki. A Wiki space of the German National Library

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RDA-Info-Wiki
- Platform for information, communication and documentation
- Working documents
- Training materials
- Technical informations
- Information about consortia and working groups in D-A-CH
- Information about international consortia and working groups

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RDA
SOURCE DESCRIPTION & ACCESS

RDA-Informations-Wiki der Deutschen Nationalbibliothek

Allgemeines
Hier finden Sie allgemeine Informationen und Neues aus dem RDA-Projekt.

RDA
Hier finden Sie alles zum Regelwerk, den Anwendungsrichtlinien D-A-CH, der Implementieru Toolkit sowie Beschlüsse, Zeitplane und Organisatorisches zum RDA-Projekt im deutschsprac

RDA International
Unter RDA International finden Sie eine Übersicht über RDA im nicht-deutschsprachigen Raur sowie alles zu RDA in der Library of Congress, sämtliche Informationen zum RDA Steering Cc Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA (JSC), der European RDA Interest Group (E Cataloguing Section.

Veranstaltungen zu RDA
Hier erhalten Sie Informationen zu Veranstaltungen zu RDA, sowie Unterlagen zu Vorträgen.

Schulungen
Unter Schulungen befinden sich alle Informationen zu den RDA-Schulungen, Schulungen der DNB und den GND-Schulungen, sowie die Schulungsunterlagen der AG RDA.

Technische Implementierung
Hier finden Sie Informationen zu den Anpassungen für die Formate und Systeme

Cataloguing policies and further steps

Implementation RDA 2012-2015

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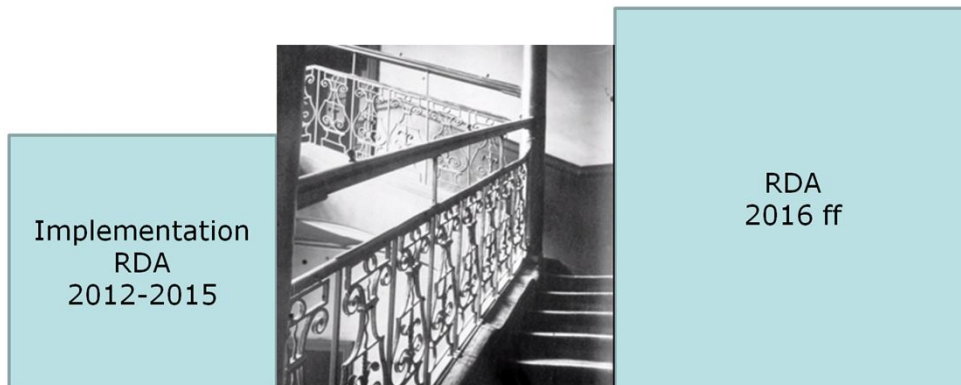
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Some works in between the RDA Project had to be deferred. In December 2015 the Committee for Library Standards listed such deferred works, prioritized them and gave an order to the working groups in charge. These themes include the discussion about first vs. latest entry for serials in the German-speaking countries as well as the description of hierarchical structures. Concerning these themes numerous preliminary works have been done in the project and must now to be evaluated. The Committee for Library Standards will reach a decision on these matters at the end of 2016.

Cataloguing Policy

A main topic of the RDA project in the year 2016 will be the arrangement of new procedures for the cataloguing policy and a procedure for the update process in RDA itself for the German-speaking community. This process will be based also for 2016 on the organizational structure of the RDA project with its working and sub-working groups. Even for the restructuring of the expert groups of the Committee of Library Standards in the German-speaking countries the RDA working groups will be exemplary.

Most of the policy statements for the German-speaking countries (D-A-CH) have been elaborated in between the project duration from 2012 until 2015 and are accessible in the RDA Toolkit. A few of them are missing and will be worked out in this year. Furthermore we will analyze the experiences in the current cataloguing practice and will add the results of this evaluation to our policy statements as

needed very soon.

Besides this we will (re)start the regular work for the cataloguing policy after this long time of the implementation process. Like all of the previous standards RDA as well is subject to changes. New about this is the fact that we now work with an international standard. That means that changes take place in a wider context. Up to now all agreements had to be arranged in the German-speaking countries. RDA works in an international environment. This means not only the original language is different and has to be translated in German, it means moreover that there are much more persons and communities which had to be taken in to account.

Fortunately the existing pool of experts from the RDA project is still working and can be used to fulfill the new task and is embedded in the general organizational structure of the libraries in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. The Office for Library Standards in the DNB is developing a change management based on this structure.

In general there is a great demand for practical support. The DNB has started to provide assistance in workshops and further events as well as online support via the wiki spaces.
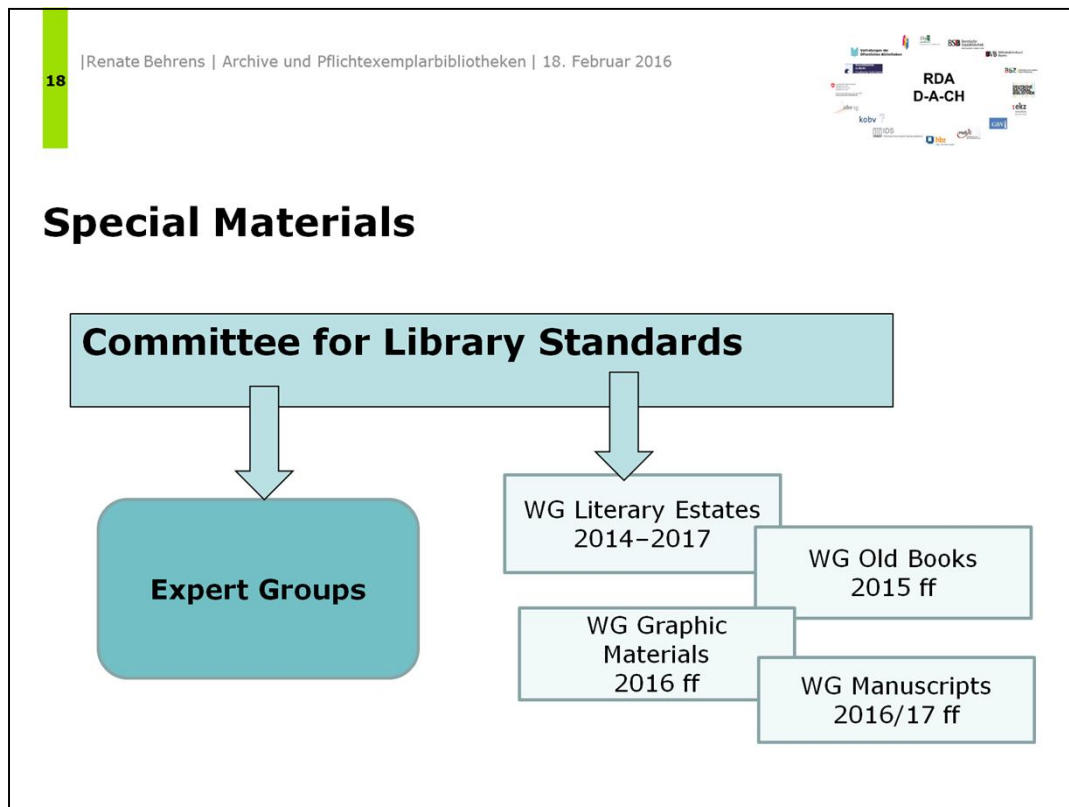
Already in the first implementation phase from 2012 to 2015 the German-speaking community had a focus on special and rare materials and tried to start cooperation with archives and museums. In 2014 started a Joint Working Group between libraries and literary archives, the Working Group Literary Estates and Autographs Rules (RNA). Other groups followed which deal with the alignments between the cataloguing guidelines for old/rare books, manuscripts and graphic and other visual material.

The goal of the alignments is not to bring all the existing rules into the RDA Toolkit. This approach means to continue to use other standards than RDA to describe our collections and made them compatible to RDA. As an example, the RNA are optimized for the need of literary archives in the German language context. With these rules the Literary Archives describe the estates and the personal papers of authors. The guidelines of the literary archives should be interoperable with RDA and any contradiction to RDA should be avoided. The access points are constructed according to RDA guidelines and according to the rules of the Integrated Authority File (GND). So the main objective is not a full integration of special rules. Quite contrary a full integration of all special rules would inflate the RDA Toolkit. So the better way would be cross-references between the RDA Toolkit and the guidelines and rules of other communities to cover the needs of cataloguers.

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Happy end?

Thank you

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