

STATUS REPORT ON RDA IN DENMARK

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Katalogiseringsregler og bibliografisk standard for danske biblioteker, 2. udg. 1998

- AACR-based national cataloguing rules
- No tradition of having Authority records
(but control of names and music work titles)
- danMARC2 format. Much more specific than MARC21
- FRBR-based work display in the national union catalogues public interface
(based on *work match on the fly*)

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Basis for a move to RDA

- **Strong national infrastructure**

The State decides what cataloguing rules are used in the country, not the individual institutions.

- **High dependency on foreign catalogue records**

A great number of catalogue records are imported from abroad.

- **Existing cataloguing rules old, and in urgent need of update**

While waiting for RDA, not much updating has been undertaken.

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Bibliografisk Råd = Danish Bibliographic Council

Highest advisory council on bibliographic matters in Denmark

- Analyses of RDA from 2012 up until 2016
- A Danish National Strategy for Authority Data is investigated and formulated
- May 2016: Proposals from the Bibliographic Council to the Danish Agency for Culture and Palaces on a move to RDA and also establishing a Danish National Authority Repository

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Analyses undertaken in the Danish RDA Project

- Consequences for descriptive cataloguing
- Consequences for the danMARC2 format
- Multivolume cataloguing
- Introduction of authority records on names and titles
- RDA's authorized access points as compared to the Danish traditional way of ordering library materials
- Preferred titles for collections of works of one author
- Consequences for the cataloguing of serials
- Numbering and dating of works which differ between RDA and the Danish cataloguing rules
- Designating materials

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Recommendations from the Danish Bibliographic Council

- **Move to RDA, but keep the rules in English**
However Danish vocabulary, and a Danish profile
- **Based on the need for a shift of paradigm**
A move from the registration of manifestations to entities
- **Based on expectations that future catalogue formats will use an entity structure**
E.g. BIBFRAME

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Recommendations from the Danish Bibliographic Council, continued...

- **Strong understanding and support in the library sector that a move to RDA is needed**

Most national library organisations have pronounced their support for a move to RDA

- **However uncertainty around costs...**

What costs will a move to RDA incur:

- For cataloguing institutions
 - For library service providers
 - For the national infrastructure
 - For the State of Denmark
- **What costs will a new data model in connection with a move to the use of authority data incur?**

The use of authority data at a large scale requires a new data model.

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Expected outcome of the recommendations

- The Danish Agency for Culture and Palaces will most likely decide on a move to RDA within the coming months
- An estimation project will thereafter start, estimating the steps needed to be taken to make the implementation complete
 - This includes the financial implications
- Speed of implementation depends on the results of the above mentioned estimation, above all the financial implications
- Most likely scenario is a Danish move to RDA during 2018
(with the RDA implementation project running from autumn 2016 and through all of 2017)

Thank you!

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