

Implementation of RDA: the case of Latvia

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Why RDA in Latvia?

- Extensive growth in amount of e-resources
- New and challenging types of resources
- Shared data environment
- Global authority data
- Global data circulation and exchange

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What facilitates RDA implementation in Latvia

- Local cataloguing rules were never established in Latvia
 - AACR2 standard for Union Catalogue
 - ISBD standard for National Bibliography
- FRBR Latvian edition (in 2005)
- RDA Toolkit available for NLL staff since 2012
- E-resource storage environment



What impedes RDA implementation in Latvia

- Limited staff for authority work
- Lack of funding for RDA translation
 - RDA terms in Latvian (translation and approbation)
- Necessity to change librarian-oriented cataloguing philosophy to user-friendly description of resources
- Not enough comprehension and knowledge of the Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR) and Functional Requirements for Authority Data (FRAD)



RDA implementation strategy first phase 2013-2016

- NLL member of EURIG since 2011
- RDA implementation expert group (6 experts) established in 2012
- Partial implementation of the principles of RDA in bibliographic records and creation of hybrid records for e-resources
- Hybrid bibliographic records of e-books, e-serials, e-sheet music and streaming audio / video files
- Authority data in VIAF from 2013
- Since April 2016 all new person's authority records are formed according RDA
- Translation and adaption of RDA glossary terms



Hybrid records for e-resources, decisions

• New MARC21 fields for e-resources (020 |q, 264, 336-338, 347)

Problems:

- E-books that are basically reproductions of printed books, but are not distinctively marked as such
- 264 field publishers are not always accurate in providing information about publishing, manufacturing and copyright
- Decision to catalogue e-books separately from printed books even they seem to be reproductions — since 2014



RDA MARC21 elements in hybrid records for e-book

```
100 1 a Akmens, Jānis,
      d 1887-1958
      4 aut
245 10 a Gimene /
      c J. Akmens.
264 4 \overline{a} [Alūksne]:
      b Eraksti,
      c [2016]
    4 a ©2016
264
300
      a 1 tiešsaistes resurss (50 lapas);
      c 477 KB
      a teksts
336
      b txt
      a datorvide
337
338
      a tiešsaistes resurss
      b cr
      a teksta datne
347
      b PDF
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RDA MARC21 elements in hybrid records for e-sound record

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110 2 a Astro'n'out (mūzikas grupa)
       4 cmp
      \overline{\mathbf{4}} prf
245 10 a Lion's Share Remixes /
      c Astro'n'out.
264 1 a [Latvija] :
      b Avantis Promo,
      c 2014.
300 a 1 tiešsaistes resurss (7 skaņu datnes (33 min)):
      b digitāls, MP3 (320 kbps)
336 a mūzika
      b prm
      a datorvide
337
      a tiešsaistes resurss
338
      b cr
      a digitāls
344
      g stereo
      a skaņu datne
347
      b MP3
      c 320 kbps
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RDA implementation strategy second phase 2016-2018

- End of 2015 changes in the NLL RDA implementation strategy
- Complete manual for printed monograph description using RDA and training program for NLL cataloguers — 2016
- At the end of 2016 beginning of NLL cataloguers training process
- 2017 and onwards manuals for serials and other types of resources



Changes in authority records

- NLL authority database since 2000
- 2013 NLL joined the VIAF
- 2014 decision to implement new RDA MARC21 fields 370-378
- Starting with 2016 NLL catalogers create authority records for persons according to RDA
- May 2016 new fields in authority records for Places (043, 046, 368, 370, 377, 678)
- At the beginning of 2017 NLL catalogers plan to start creating authority records for institutions according to RDA (implementation step-by-step)



Example of RDA authority record, personal name

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040
      a LV-RiVB
      b lav
      e rda
046 f 19410422
                                           a Ārsts
                                    374
100 1 a Gulbis, Egils,
                                    374
                                           a Uzņēmējs
      d 1941-
                                    375
                                           a vīrietis
370
      a Rīga (Latvija)
                                    377
                                           a lav
      t 1944
                                    377
                                           a dut
      e Vācija
370
                                    377
                                           a fre
       s 1944
                                    400 1
                                           a Gulbis, E.
      <del>t</del> 1946
                                           q (Egils),
370
      e Brisele (Belģija)
                                           d 1941-
      s 1946
                                    500 3
       <del>t</del> 1993
                                           i Dzimta, kurai pieder persona:
      e Latvija
370
                                           a Gulbju dzimta
      t 1993
                                           c (Blīdenes pagasts, Latvija)
372
      a Medicīna
                                    510 2
372
      a Diagnostika, laboratorā
                                           i Dibinātā institūcija:
373
      a E. Gulbja laboratorija
                                           a E. Gulbja laboratorija
       s 1993
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Example of RDA hybrid authority record, corporate body

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040 a LV-RiVB
      b lav
046 5 1993
110 2 a E. Gulbja laboratorija
370 e Latvija
372
      a Diagnostika, laboratorā
410 2 a Gulbja laboratorija
410 2 a SIA Gulbja laboratorija
500 1 w r
      i Dibinātājs:
      a Gulbis, Egils,
      d 1941-
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Today's challenges

- Lack of adequate financial and personnel resources for full translation of RDA reminded the same situation as with MARC21 format for bibliographic data, which was not translated in Latvian
- RDA terms translated terms and interpretations should be comprehensible, so there would be no need for extensive explanations
- Differences between records in Union Catalogue (MARC21 and AACR2) and the National Bibliography database (MARC21 and partly ISBD)
- Implementation of RDA in Latvia will be based only on the knowledge and competence of NLL experts and their skills of self-learning and training the staff by developing knowledge and skills of cataloguers



Thank you for your attention!