Permanent UNIMARC Committee

The 22nd Meeting of the Permanent UNIMARC Committee took place on 14-15 March 2011 at the National Library of Portugal, Lisbon. Besides discussion of past pending proposals on minor amendments, most of the work focused on additions and changes to the UNIMARC / Bibliographic and corresponding structures of the UNIMARC / Authorities for adapting the formats to the requisites of FRBR. This is a major work still in progress, started on the basis of a set of proposals presented by the Comité français UNIMARC (CFU).

Other work in progress includes completion of the UNIMARC Guidelines for Manuscripts and alignment updates to the UNIMARC / Holdings. There are no current plans for new editions of the format manuals in the short term (new complete editions were issued in 2008 and 2009, for Bibliographic and Authorities, respectively), but interim updates will be made available online eventually.

The PUC continued the discussions on the above developments at an informal meeting during the IFLA Conference, as usual, which took place on 15 and 18 August 2011.

UNIMARC session at IFLA

On August 17, the IFLA 2011 UNIMARC session presented 5 papers under the theme Advancing UNIMARC: alignment and innovation. Most papers are available in other languages additional to English:

- **UNIMARC and FRBR - can we have both?**  [Deutsch] [中文] [Español]
  Trond Aalberg (Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway), Jan Pisanski and Maja Žumer (University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia)

- **FRBRization: using UNIMARC link fields to identify Works**  [Deutsch] [中文] [Français] [Español]
  Manolis Peponakis, Michalis Sfakakis and Sarantos Kapidakis (Lab. on Digital Libraries & Electronic Publishing, Dep. of Archive & Library Sciences, Ionian University, Corfu, Greece)

- **FRBRisation of Koha in the context of CMARC (a UNIMARC-derived format)**  [中文]
  Naicheng Chang (General Education Center, Tatung University, Taipei, Taiwan, China) and Yuchin Tsai (Nat. Center for High-performance Computing, Nat. Applied Research Lab. Taipei, Taiwan, China)

- **Expressing FRBR in UNIMARC: yes we can!**  [Français]
  Philippe Le Pape (ABS - Agence bibliographique de l'enseignement supérieur, Montpellier, France)

- **UNIMARC and linked data**  [Français]
  Gordon Dunsire (Strathclyde University, Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom) and Mirna Willer (University of Zadar, Department of Library and Information Sciences, Zadar, Croatia)

Other work

- The UCA webpages were updated in January, and updates are planned for December.

- The 23rd meeting of the PUC is scheduled to be held in March 2012, location yet to be defined.

- The programme for the UNIMARC session at IFLA 2012 is being prepared. A call for papers will be issued during December/January, as usual.

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