

## **Mid-year project report** (Code: 3-13-1-15)

### **FRBR Consolidation**

July 26, 2015

The FRBR Consolidation Editorial Group (CEG) held a dedicated 3-day meeting April 22-24, 2015, hosted by the Bibliothèque nationale de France, attended by all 3 current members. Two members submitted expenses, for a total of approximately 1900 euros of the 2000 allotted. During this meeting the definitions, full scope notes, and examples for entities, attributes, relationships which had been drafted and exchanged prior to the meeting, were examined and corrected in detail, as well as the use cases for the user tasks. Substantial progress was also made on the additional explanatory text to be included in the FRBR-LRM model definition.

Subsequently the CEG completed the chapters planned for the model definition document (with a few exceptions noted), which consists of the following chapters:

ch.1: Introduction (administrative preface, some aspects to be filled in)

ch.2: Methodology

ch.3: Users and User Tasks

ch.4: Model Overview (diagrams to be added)

ch.5: Model Definition

    section 5.1: Entities (the examples still need to be filled out)

    section 5.2: Attributes (complete)

    section 5.3: Relationships (examples still to be filled out)

ch.6: Aggregates and Serials

ch.7: Mapping of attributes and relationships to user tasks (to be added if RG considers useful)

ch.8: Sources consulted

The CEG also prepared transition mappings for user tasks, entities, attributes, relationships. These mappings detail each element in FRBR, FRAD, FRSAD and indicate exactly what element in FRBR-LRM corresponds to it, or otherwise explain the outcome for that element. The mappings are not part of the consolidated model, they are intended to assist in the assessment of the consolidation outcomes during world-wide review, and subsequently assist in transitioning applications, including the IFLA FRBR namespaces.

In early July 2015, the CEG circulated to the FRBR RG the draft of the FRBR-LRM model definition document (58 pages), as well as drafts of all the transition tables (64 pages). These documents will be considered in-depth at the Friday August 21, 2015 all-day meeting of the FRBR RG planned for Cape Town.

Considering the length of the documents and the extent of the development, it is expected that the FRBR RG will have numerous comments, including comments of substance, during the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. The CEG fully expects to require a meeting in the fall to incorporate the comments from the FRBR RG into the FRBR-LRM document and in the transition tables, so that the world-wide review of FRBR-LRM can be held in early 2016. The CEG proposes to hold this meeting concurrently with the 34<sup>th</sup> CIDOC CRM SIG meeting, scheduled for October 6-9, 2015 at the University of Crete in Heraklion, Greece, where we can obtain meeting space. This timing offers the additional opportunity to present an overview of the FRBR-LRM model to the CIDOC CRM-FRBR Harmonization working group, benefiting from their comments while starting the analysis that will be required to update FRBRoo once FRBR-LRM is approved.