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- **Permanent UNIMARC Committee**

The 24th Permanent UNIMARC Committee Meeting place on 12-13 May 2014 at the IZUM Institute of Information Science, Maribor, Slovenia. Nine members of the PUC attended, plus the Director of the Programme, representing 7 countries (Croatia, France, Italy, Portugal, Slovenia, Russia and USA). The Meeting was chaired by Maria Inês Cordeiro as A. Hopkinson has not yet been replaced.

Most of the work was concentrated on nine proposals discussed and approved with amendments, six relating to changes and additions to UNIMARC Bibliographic mostly to accommodate ISBD Area 0 data; and three relating to changes and additions to UNIMARC/Authorities regarding Interfield Linking Data and the implementation of ISNI. As soon as the editing of the approved changes and additions is completed the corresponding documents will be published at the Programme web pages.

The work on *UNIMARC Guidelines No. 9: Manuscripts* was finalized with some corrections and will be published soon. The Draft 2nd Version of *Guidelines for Archives* (dated 2013) remains in progress.

The PUC held an informal meeting during IFLA Conference, as usual, that took place on the 20th August. Issues discussed were matters pending from the 24th PUC meeting.

- **UNIMARC in RDF Project**

This project is in progress. All data regarding UNIMARC /Bibliographic is prepared in spreadsheets as well as most of UNIMARC/Authorities. Definitions for all subfields will be added. The Open Metadata Registry (OMR) is creating a service to automatically process such spreadsheets which will facilitate the process of uploading.

- **Leadership of the Strategic Programme and the PUC**

The leadership of the Programme and the PUC was also discussed, as the National Library of Portugal is willing to hand the Programme to another national administrator and Alan Hopkinson should be replaced. The ICCU in Italy emerged as the institution most able and willing to assume that hosting role. This possibility is yet to be confirmed. As to the Chair of the PUC, no offers appeared. Maria Inês Cordeiro, with assistance from Rosa Galvão, is willing to serve as interim chair for a transitional period, but would like to have someone else become chair as soon as possible.

- **UNIMARC Survey 2014**

In 2014 the UNIMARC Strategic Programme launched an online questionnaire to UNIMARC users (https://pt.surveymonkey.com/s/UNIMARC2014) which is not yet closed, waiting for the response from some countries.

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- ## 4th UNIMARC Users' Group Meeting

On 2014 May 14, the UNIMARC Users' Group held its Fourth Meeting, also at IZUM in Maribor, Slovenia, featuring the following program (presentations available at http://home.izum.si/izum/puc/presentations.html):

- *Opening and Welcome*, Davor Šoštaric (Director, IZUM, Maribor, Slovenia)
- *Report from UNIMARC Strategic Programme and the PUC*, Maria Inês Cordeiro (Director of the UNIMARC Strategic Programme, National Library of Portugal, Lisbon)
- *UNIMARC Developments Towards FRBR*, Philippe Le Pape (Agence bibliographique de l'enseignement supérieur, Montpellier, France)
- *UNIMARC in RDF: Issues for UBC*, Mirna Willer (Department of Information Science, University of Zadar) with Mr. Gordon Dunsire (Consultant, Edinburgh, Scotland)
- *Cataloging Rules and Changes: Slovenian State of the Art*, Alenka Kanič (National and University Library, Ljubljana, Slovenia)
- *Cataloguing with COMARC Format: What Now?: Some Dilemmas as seen by the Maribor Public Library*, Anka Rogina (Maribor Public Library, Slovenia)
- *Reaching Decisions and Adjusting: RDA and OCLC*, Jay Weitz (OCLC, Dublin, Ohio, United States)
- *COMARC Format for Bibliographic Description of Photographs*, Branka Kerec (University Library Maribor, Slovenia)
- *Enhancement of COMARC as a Result of Expanding COBISS.Net*, Nadia Karachadjukova (National Library of Bulgaria, Sofia, Bulgaria)
- *Shared Cataloguing in Multi-Script Environment*, Gordana Mazić (IZUM, Maribor, Slovenia)
- *Web discussion with National COBISS Centers*: National Library of Serbia, Belgrade, Serbia; Central National Library of the Republic of Montenegro "Djurdje Crnojević," Cetinje, Montenegro; and National and University Library St. Kliment Ohridski, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia

- ## UNIMARC Session at IFLA 2014

At **IFLA 2014**, the PUC will hold a joint session with the Classification & Indexing, Cataloguing and Bibliography Sections under the theme *Universal Bibliographic Control in the digital age: golden opportunity or paradise lost?* The programe includes 12 papers and is available at http://conference.ifla.org/ifla80/node/303.

- ## UNIMARC future meetings

There will be an informal meeting of the PUC at the IFLA Conference in Lyon, France, in August 2014. Tentative scheduling of the 25th meeting of the PUC for March/April 2015 in Rome, Italy, is in progress.

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