Application profiles

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Application profiles by EURIG

- General application profile (AP):
  - Example to local APs
  - Local APs can be linked to the EURIG AP: how?
  - How does a cataloger use the general AP?

- Includes columns (at least) for:
  - Name and URI of an element
  - Domain and range of an element
  - Occurance: is an element repeatable or mandatory
  - VES = vocabulary encoding scheme: is there a controlled vocabulary for the values of element
  - SES = string encoding scheme: is there a standard or a format for the values of element

Application profiles by EURIG (2)

- Recording method chosen for an element
- Links to toolkit texts and policy statements (PS)
- Application notes and personal notes

- APs specific to a type of resource:
  - Music: is it possible to have shared European AP and PSs?
  - Religious work: is it possible to have shared European AP and PSs?
  - Legal work
  - Archives

- Still in progress…

The Finnish APs

- Some APs already under way:
    - Nomen, timespan and place APs

- Planning APs for:
    - Some types of resources (e.g. aggregates)
    - Cataloguing "levels": core and basic

- The Finnish APs only include the elements that are mandatory or that needs PSs or other specifications

- Not sure yet wherter or not include notes on MARC 21 fields…

AP of nomen For the Finnish RDA libraries

- Nomen in theory and in practice (in MARC 21) is problematic
- AP as a short cut:
  - AP helps cataloguers to find the chapters and the PSs that can be applied in MARC 21

- Includes columns for:
  - Name and URI of an element
  - Links to toolkit text (and to PS if possible)
  - Recording method
  - Occurance: is an element mandatory at the core level and/or at the basic level
  - Occurance: is an element non-repeatable
  - VES or SES
  - Comments

AP of timespan for the Finnish LAM

- The result of "negotiation" between library, archives and museum sectors about
  - applying ISO standard 8601 as SES
  - creating the timespan ontology and applying it as VES

- Still in progress but it seems:
  - ISO 8601 will be the SES for the most shared elements of LAM
  - The timespan ontology could be the VES for the rest of the shared elements

- APs of timespan will be realized in
  - the elements of the datamodel of the agent, created by LAM
  - the elements of the datamodel of the place ontology, created by LAM
  - the AP for the timespan ontology (if there will be one..)

AP of timespan for the Finnish LAM (2)

- The appearance/layout of the AP depends on the application
  - There might not be a RDA based AP of timespan

- APs in excel sheets are a kind of documentation what has been agreed on about:
  - recording
  - values (VES or SES)
  - mandatory and repeatable aspects
  - PSs
  - conditions

AP of place for the Finnish LAM

- AP of place depends on the datamodel of the place ontology of LAM
  - The datamodel is not ready yet
  - Location, category/type and name/authorized access point, and their relationship to timespan as well as the change of identity of place are the main issues

- As a result, the RDA place entity might differ from the place entity of the place ontology
  - RDA based AP of place is difficult to produce or it's redundant if PSs contradict RDA rules
  - At the moment, the role of the draft of RDA based AP is to remind not to accept an identity or description of the place entity that contradicts too much the RDA place

Questions and comments

- Which role APs will have in cataloguing?
  - Are the format based instructions (outside the RDA Toolkit) the only instructions cataloguers use?
  - Would APs be part of the RDA training material?
  - Are APs just a way to communicate with archives, museums, system/application developers etc.?

- What kind of technical implementation for the APs would work in the RDA Toolkit?
  - AP specific templates?
  - APs to the front page of Toolkit? The first view to RDA?

- Comments to EURIG?