



ICELAND AND THE 3R PROJECT

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Implementation of RDA in Iceland

- RDA was officially implemented in Gegnir, the Icelandic union catalogue, in May 2016
- Only in bibliographic records
- Still a long way to go regarding authority records
- Recent membership in VIAF



Translation of RDA in Icelandic

- Partial translation
- Already translated from the current Toolkit
 - Introduction chapter
 - Vocabulary for relationship designators
 - Vocabulary for content, media and carrier types
 - Various concepts and terms
- These translations are not in the RDA Registry
- No formal translation work on the 3R text has begun

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Data conversion 2018

- Changes were made to make older records in the catalogue better compatible with RDA
 - Records for printed and electronic resources were split up. Making a separate record for each format.
 - Abbreviations were changed to fully written out words
 - Relator terms were added where possible. For example “Höfundur” (author) in marc field 100 subfield |e where there were no previous recordings
 - Appropriate Icelandic relator terms added to subfield |e on records with English in |e or code in |4
 - 260 field became 264
 - 33x fields added to all records.



Library system change

- Next year Innovative Interfaces' system Sierra will take over Ex Libris' Aleph
- These changes will definitely change our cataloguing environment
 - Although we will have to live with MARC21 for some time to come
- Work on the move have made little time for RDA 3R work the past months
- Monitoring news and updates on the Beta site for now



Cataloguers' manual

- www.hask.landsbokasafn.is
- Run by the National and University Library of Iceland
- MARC based instructions
- Links to the current RDA toolkit
- The manuals setup and display needs revision
- According to two recent studies*:
 - Cataloguers in Iceland depend on the manual
 - Cataloguers in Iceland do not seek information in the RDA Toolkit

*[Kristín Lilja Thorlacius Björnsdóttir](#), 2018
[Ragna Steinarsdóttir](#), 2018