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Editorial comment

Spring has sprung... and our winter of learning has passed. IGBIS members were challenged to absorb a lot of information regarding geographic LCSH and RDA. Many new concepts were given to us, but in the words of Robert Maxwell, quoting Barack Obama - "Yes, we can!"... yes we can assign geographic LCSH properly and yes, we can adapt to the new cataloguing guidelines.

Please contribute to *LIASA IGBIS-in-touch* by sending articles or snippets of information of interest to fellow IGBIS members to: susan.battison@nlsa.ac.za

'Be wise, standardise'

Next IGBS event

Join the IGBIS National Committee at the interest group day at LIASA, on 30 September 2009. The preliminary agenda is as follows:

- 08:30 – 09:15 LIASA IGBIS AGM
- 09:15 – 10:00 Meeting 131 of the Decimal classification Editorial policy committee 10-12 June 2009, OCLC – report back (Welna van Eeden, Unisa)
- 10:00 - 10:30 *Tea Break*

- 10:30 – 11:00 RDA lecture series, 22-24 July 2009, NLSA – report back
(Susan Battison, NLSA)
- 11:00 – 11:15 IGBIS Project: DDC Summaries Translation – report back
(Welna van Eeden, Unisa)
- 11:15 – 12:30 Entertainment still to be finalised

We look forward to seeing you at LIASA in Bloemfontein.

IGBIS National Committee

***Report back on the IGBIS Geographic subject headings
workshop -- You wanted more!!***

The 2009 IGBIS workshop was held on 21 July 2009, Pretoria Campus, National Library of South Africa, the before the RDA Lecture Series.

There were a total of 105 delegates and 84% completed the evaluation form. Academic librarians represented the largest group (46%), with public librarians the next largest group (27%). The rest were delegates from the National Library, special libraries, provincial libraries and others. Most of the delegates are experienced cataloguers (69%) having more than five years experience and a large proportion of this group have more than ten years experience. The smallest group had less than one years experience (11%).

Most of the comments on the workshop were positive, but you wanted more examples, more time for open discussion and that the workshop should be more than one day long. There was also a suggestion that delegates break up into smaller workgroups.

The top three topics that you want to see covered in future workshops are: Basic RDA, Rules and tools for cataloguing Internet resources and Metadata standards and applications.

Thanks to everyone who completed the evaluation form. This will help planning for future workshops.

APPROVED NEW MARC21 FIELDS TO ACCOMMODATE RDA (Draft)

Three new fields have been added to the format for bibliographic data: 336 Content type, 337 Media type, 338 Carrier type, and new codes have been added to 007 and 008.

The format for authority data has 10 new fields: 046 Special coded dates, 336 Content type, 370 Associated place, 371 Address, 372 Field of activity, 373 Affiliation, 374 Occupation, 375 Gender, 376 Family information and 377 Associated language.

The holdings format has two new fields: 337 Media type, 338 Carrier type and new codes in 007.

Please visit the MARC21 website to read further:
<http://www.loc.gov/marc/formatchanges-RDA.html>

IGBIS @ RDA lecture series

A few familiar IGBIS faces

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Current IGBIS membership: 107 members

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