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Editorial comment

The year is already in top gear. The IGBIS Committee would like to wish all members a productive and inspired 2008.

The IGBIS Committee is hard at work arranging the next IGBIS workshop and other basic cataloguing training opportunities.

In this issue you'll find information regarding the IGBIS workshop, IGBIS' revised aims and objectives, something fishy in American National Standards, more information on the linking ISSN and the training grant given to LIASA, as well as links to the RDA and the Virtual Museum of Cataloguing and Acquisitions Artifacts.

'Thank you' to the contributors of this issue.

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'
Susan

IGBIS workshops planned for 2008

The next IGBIS workshop will be presented during July 2008. The workshop theme is *Before and Beyond AACR2*. The programme is as follows:

Day 1: Practical application of metadata for digital resources: hands-on with special reference to the Dublin Core

Day 2: ISBD

The number of places available for Day 1 is limited to 35 and is aimed at people who will start providing metadata for digital resources during the coming year. IGBIS members will also be given preference. IGBIS hopes to repeat the practical application of metadata workshop at a later stage.

Registration fees:

Day 1: R750,00 (IGBIS members) ; R1000,00 (non-IGBIS members)

Day 2: R500,00 (IGBIS members) ; R650,00 (non-IGBIS members)

Venues:

Day 1: Electronic Learning Centre, Unisa Library, Muckleneuk, Pretoria

Day 2: Unisa Senate Hall, Theo van Wijk Building, Muckleneuk, Pretoria

Dates: 22-23 July 2008

More details of the programme and presenters will be sent out later.

The second IGBIS event will be held on the Interest Group day at the LIASA Conference. IGBIS will keep you posted on what is planned.

LIASA IGBIS aims and objectives have been updated

LIASA Interest Group for Bibliographic Standards (IGBIS)

The Interest Group for Bibliographic Standards (IGBIS) is a national interest group of the Library and Information Association of South Africa (LIASA). IGBIS was launched in 2001, properly constituted in 2002, and has been active since 2003.

Aim

To promote and facilitate the application of bibliographic and metadata standards and thus support bibliographic control in South Africa.

Objectives

- Support and promote the aim and objectives of LIASA.
- Support and promote the aim and objectives of IGBIS at branch level.
- Promote interaction and networking amongst a united group of library and information workers, and other interested parties.
- Provide for the exchange of ideas and experiences amongst other relevant Interest Groups, stakeholders and academics with regard to the application of bibliographic and metadata standards.
- Address issues which affect the application of bibliographic and metadata standards.
- Identify training needs with respect to bibliographic and metadata standards.
- Ensure skills development amongst information workers by arranging workshops, conferences and training sessions.
- Promote and disseminate the latest trends in bibliographic control.

SUSHI Standard Approved by ANSI

The Standardized Usage Statistics Harvesting Initiative (SUSHI) Protocol standard has been approved by ANSI as an American National Standard and given the designation of ANSI/NISO Z39.93-2007. The standard is available for [free download](#).

The SUSHI standard defines an automated request and response model for the harvesting of electronic resource usage data utilizing a Web services framework that can replace the user-mediated collection of usage data reports. Designed to work with COUNTER reports, the protocol is also extensible to other types of usage reports.

The accompanying schemas for the standard, currently at version 1.5, and additional information about the protocol, including background information, developers' toolkits, presentations, journal articles, and a draft FAQ are available from the [SUSHI website](#).

NISO is in the process of establishing a SUSHI Standing Committee to take on the maintenance responsibilities that are defined in Appendix E of the standard. If anyone is interested in participating on this committee, please contact [Karen Wetzel](#), NISO Standards Program Manager.

Submitted by M. de Waal

LIASA has received a training grant from Sabinet

Sabinet has given LIASA a training grant, of which R133 600 has been earmarked for Cataloguing Training. IGBIS will be responsible for identifying specific training needs and presenting the training. The training will run over three years and the content of the training will depend on the specific needs of cataloguers.

To help identify training needs and schedule training please contact IGBIS by sending the information to Santi Steyn (santi@sabinet.co.za)

Submitted by Santi Steyn

RDA has a new logo

Go to the link below to see the new logo and other RDA developments
<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/jsc/docs/jca-philadelphia-20080113.pdf>

More on the Linking ISSN ...

The Linking ISSN or ISSN-L is the main feature of the new international standard ISO 3297: 2007, *Information and documentation - International standard serial number (ISSN)*.

The ISSN-L enables linking among different versions of a continuing resource. Separate ISSN's will identify the print and other versions of the same title, while the ISSN-L will group the different versions together.

According to the new standard, the ISSN-L will be one of the existing ISSN's already assigned to a title but will always be the same as the first assigned ISSN to any medium of the specific continuing resource. The assigned ISSN-L shall then apply to all the other media versions and will be designated even if the resource is only published in one medium.

Example:

ISSN-L 1016-3107

South African criminal law reports (print, 1990-). ISSN 1016-3107

South African criminal law reports (CD-ROM, 1993-). ISSN 1022-1778

South African criminal law reports (Online, 2000-). ISSN 1682-0770

The ISSN-L will be included in MARC 21 in the subfield "l" of the 022 (ISSN) field. A subfield "m" has also been defined for a cancelled ISSN-L.

The designation of the ISSN-L will be performed automatically by the ISSN International Centre in Paris as records are added to the ISSN Register. A retrospective designation process will include a check for the accurate inclusion of MARC 21 field 776 in records (i.e. Additional Physical Form Entry). The project will include the implementing, assigning and distribution of about 1,325,000 ISSN-Ls.

The ISSN-L will be available in ISSN Register records via the ISSN Portal (<http://portal.issn.org>) during the latter part of 2008. Publishers will be encouraged to display the ISSN-L along with the medium-specific ISSN on all resources.

For more information visit the ISSN website: <http://www.issn.org>

Submitted by: Martha de Waal

Have you seen?
[The Virtual Museum of Cataloging and Acquisitions Artifacts](#)
Follow the link and enjoy the tour.

Current IGBIS membership: 142 members

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http://www.liasa.org.za/interest_groups/igbis.php

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