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DACH RDA Handbook

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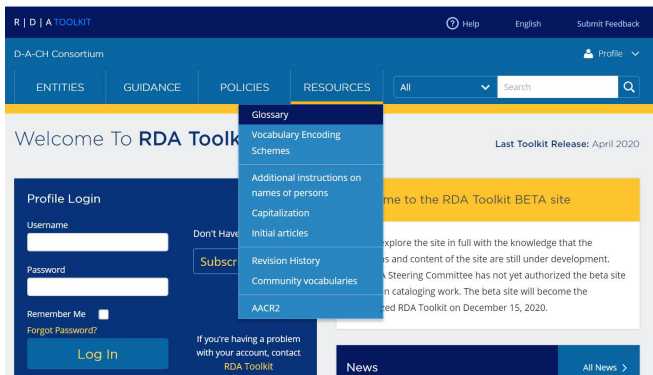
Confusion

After the first release of the Beta Toolkit we were very much confused and alarmed.

- New structure
- New concepts
- New wording
- Etc.



Excitement

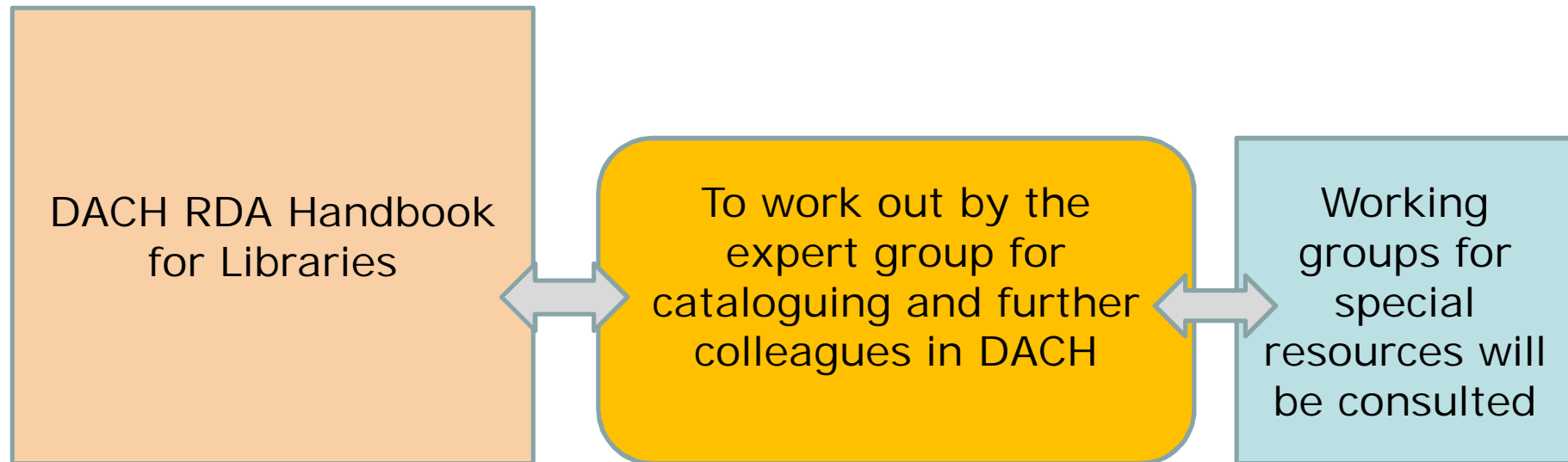


Policy
statements
DACH-AWR

Training
materials

Workflows
Documents

Possible Solution?



What are the main requirements for such a manual?

- The existing practice of cataloguing should be maintained.
- The documentation should be suitable for everyday use and usable for all levels of cataloguing.
- The documentation should be linked to the Toolkit.
- A clear reference to the RDA vocabulary should be ensured.

Approach

- A small group of experts developed a concept, which will soon be submitted for decision.
- Different options were tested and examples were created.
- In August a workshop was held with the whole DACH expert group for cataloguing to evaluate the examples and options from the concept group.

Results I

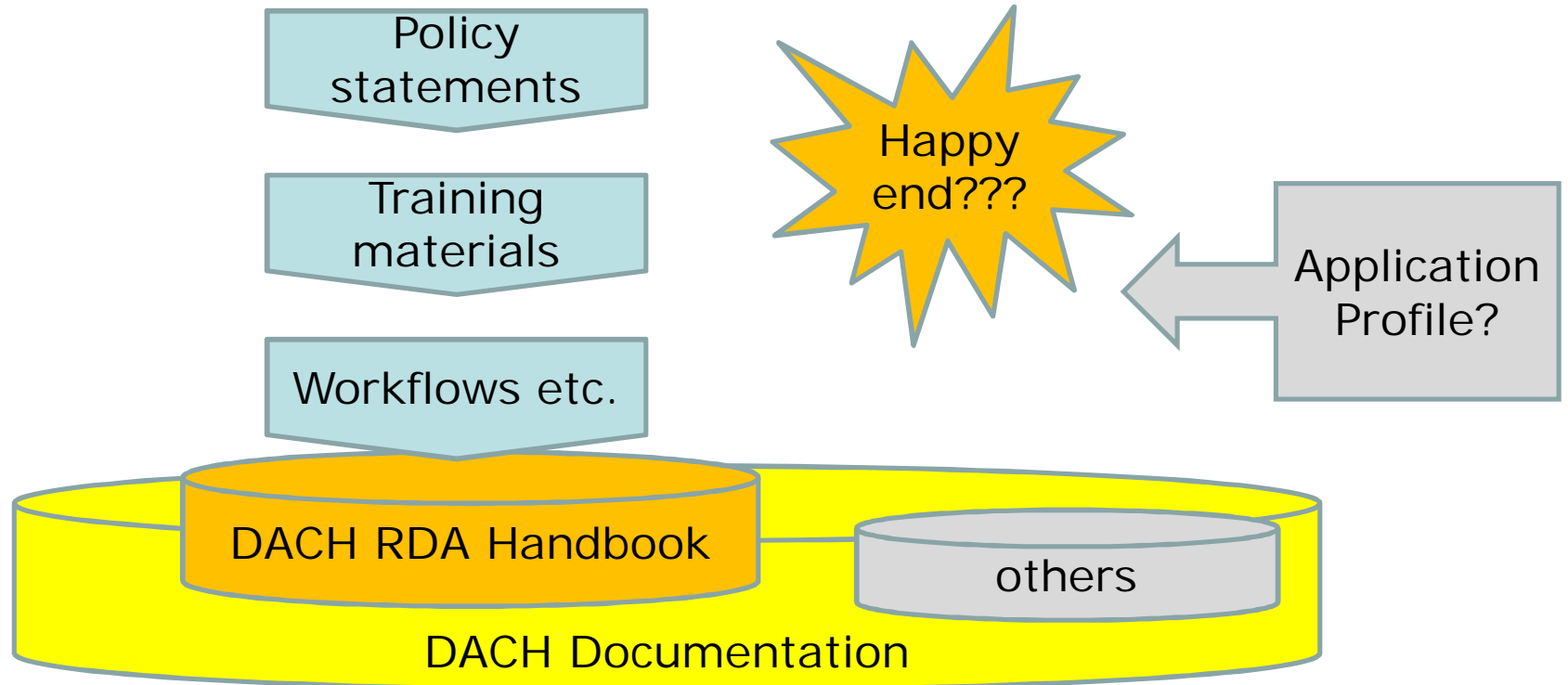
- The existing RDA regulations will be transferred to the cataloguing handbook on the basis of the original Toolkit including the DACH Policy statements.
- Regulations which have proved to be not suitable for practical application will be checked and, if necessary, corrected.
- New concepts and regulations of the beta Toolkit will be transferred to the handbook, if an added value is expected and if they can be easily implemented in the library systems.

Results II

- New terminology is adopted where it is possible without any problems.
- Links to the RDA Toolkit are made in simple and clear cases.
- A translation of the full text of the Toolkit is not necessary. The translation of the RDA Registry is advocated.
- International developments will be further observed and existing results of other RDA users will be re-used if possible.

Need for Clarification and Risks

- The costs could be higher than expected.
- There may not be sufficient human resources available.
- The original Toolkit is switched off before the handbook is finished.
- The motivation of the experts who are able to work here is low, as the initial implementation is not too long ago.
- Licensing questions ...



Thank you!

I am looking forward for questions and discussion.

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