

RDA in Sweden

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- 2017: Implementation in Libris (Swedish union catalogue) and SMDB (Swedish Media Data Base)
 - RDA for almost all cataloguing
 - "light implementation": translation of RDA elements and value vocabularies, policy statements in the Toolkit, instructions and examples in Swedish in [Metadatabyrån](#)
- 2020: Decision to await work after 3R
- 2021: Delayed operational plan due to COVID-19 and internal reorganisation of the Swedish National Library



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- Since 2018 Libris format is based on BIBFRAME and linked data. Implementation of the new official Toolkit would mean:
 - better support for linked data and alignment with IFLA LRM
 - better international cooperation through established international standards instead of national rules



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- RDA-related problems
 - The new official Toolkit is hard to use without understanding the underlying model and concepts
 - Many of Libris' librarians are new and/or not full time cataloguers
 - Need for major investments in training and support



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- Technical problems
 - Libris format and editor aren't fully developed yet
 - Libris editor isn't completely aligned with RDA
 - Demand for MARC21-conversion delays development



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- Institutional problems
 - Lack of understanding of how much work is needed
 - Lack of resources



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Thank you for listening!

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