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Welcome

Today's schedule



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- Diversity, equity, inclusion
 - *Inclusive Descriptive Practice at the British Library*
 - *Locally Preferred Terms in WorldCat Discovery*
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- OCLC will make available:
 - Recordings of each session
 - Slides
 - Cited links list
- Notifications:
 - Registrants will receive an email via Webex
 - OCLC will post links to content: [Cataloging & Metadata](#), [Record Manager](#) and [Collection Manager](#) communities, [AskQC help site](#)

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Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



Cynthia Whitacre

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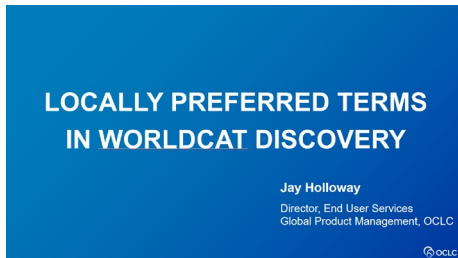
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Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



Inclusive Descriptive Practice at the British Library
Dr Pardaad Chamsaz, British Library



Locally Preferred Terms in WorldCat Discovery
Jay Holloway, OCLC



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Metadata Lead for Equity and Inclusion
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Inclusive Descriptive Practice at the British Library

Pardaad Chamsaz, Metadata Lead for Equity and Inclusion

Context

INTERNAL

- [‘Enacting change: An Action Plan for Race Equality at the British Library’](#) (Jan 2022)
- Alan Danskin, ‘Challenging Legacies at the British Library’ (Art Libraries Journal, 2023)
- ‘Conscientious Bilingual Description: Treating problematic language in colonial records on the Qatar Digital Library’

EXTERNAL

- OCLC Reimagine Descriptive Workflows
- Provisional Semantics: Addressing the challenges of representing multiple perspectives within an evolving digitised national collection
- Cultural Heritage Terminology Network

Why are we doing this?

1. Outdated, offensive or harmful language
2. Hidden contributions of marginalised, colonised, and indigenous people
3. Offensive, outdated, irrelevant subject headings, expressing ideas and people differently to the way communities prefer
4. ‘Description is powerful’
5. Bare minimum we can do to make our records *accurate*
6. Gaining trust of diverse communities of users
7. BL Collection Metadata Strategy

Metadata and Provenance Research Pilot Objectives

1. To provide a working template for developing sustainable workflows for inclusive collection description and discovery

2. To undertake provenance research on South Asian and Printed Heritage Collections in order to improve our knowledge of the history of the collections, to make this information available, address gaps, and provide equitable and transparent attributions for collections

Inclusive description

refers to the practice of making our metadata accurately and transparently reflect the full historical, cultural and material contexts of our collections

- 1) by addressing and/or contextualising discriminatory and exclusionary language,
- 2) by surfacing inaccurately or insufficiently described subjects, creators and contributors, and
- 3) by opening our descriptive practice to embrace the languages, perspectives, and feedback of users whose experiences and histories are represented in the collections.

Slow progress means real progress

- Complicated multifaceted institution
- Advocacy function
- Hundreds of discussions
- Slow project building

Framing the project

- Opportunity to enrich, NOT corrective to colleagues' work
- Accuracy, NOT "rewriting history"
- Even the smallest interventions can lead to huge impact

Eight strands of activity

1. Inclusive Description Community of Practice (IDCoP)
2. Terminology
3. Exploring collections
4. Collections as data
5. Elements of metadata
6. Communications
7. Training and Documentation
8. Community Engagement

1. Inclusive Description Community of Practice

- Forum for colleagues engaged in inclusive descriptive practice
- Teams space and internal wiki space as hubs for resources and discussion
- Monthly meetings with a focus on a single idea or collection
- Co-develop guidelines and workflows
- Voluntary and broad membership model
- External speakers
- **Culture shift**



2. Terminology

- Contribute to the Inclusive Terminology Glossary
- Consider application of glossary in BL context
- Develop guides to particularly egregious and frequently occurring terms
- Caribbean-British vernacular thesaurus



| Term | Contextual note | Time period/ Region note | References |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| acquired acquisition attain attained discovered found obtained possessed gifted given | Euphemistic terms often used to distort the fact that an item/artefact was looted or stolen, or taken through other coercive means. | | |
| Af/s | Derogatory term used by white settlers in Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) towards Black people. | Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia), Africa | Owl apps – List of ethnic slurs by ethnicity |
| Africana | Term still used by some institutions in the USA and Canada today to refer to materials or collectible objects (books, documents, artefacts) related to the African continent. May be considered outdated. | Africa, USA | |
| allochtoon/s alochtoon/s | Dutch term meaning “from another soil”, translates as “immigrant”. An individual’s specific self-identity would be preferred, i.e. Moroccan-Dutch, Surinamese-Dutch, or Dutch person of [x] background | Netherlands | Tropenmuseum – Words Matter |

Format of
Inclusive
Terminology
Glossary
Entry 1.6
Empires and
Imperialism

EXAMPLE: “Piracy” in India Office Records

- Piracy used as justification for British intervention in the Gulf region
- Reinforces British colonial point of view
- Ambiguity of term in different Arabic translations

EXAMPLE: “Piracy”

‘Proceedings adopted in consequence of the depredations committed by the Joasmee pirates in the Persian Gulph’

ABOUT THIS ITEM ✕

Content
This item consists mostly of copies of correspondence, minutes and resolutions cited in, or enclosed with, letters from the governments of Bombay and Bengal. It is the fifth in a series of eight items on the subject of the alleged piracy of the Joasmee [*al-Qawāsīm* , also referred to as Joassmee] (the others are: IOR/F/4/648/17850, IOR/F/4/649/17851 and 17852, IOR/F/4/650/17853, IOR/F/4/651/17855, and IOR/F/4/652/17856 and 17857). The main topics covered are:



“PIRACY” IN THE INDIA OFFICE RECORDS: SOME HISTORICAL CONTEXT

DR DAVID WOODBRIDGE, DR MARIAM ABOELEZZ, TAHANI ABU SHABAN, (Gulf History Cataloguer, Arabic Translator, Translation Specialist) - British Library

Recent catalogue feedback

Two centuries old tower named after pirates' lair
[Sidcup?]: Kentish Times, 1984

I don't think it is correct to mention it as pirate's lair as it was Sarkhel (Admiral) of the Maratha Aarmaar (Navy) Kanhoji Angre and later his son Tulaji Angre who fought the British who were fighting a proxy war for the Peshwa rulers in the region. Suvarnadurg was the local ruler's fortress in the sea from which the Anglicised name of Severndroog came about. The Marathas were definitely not pirates and were also fighting against the Portuguese and won against them finally in Thana (now Thane) Bassein (now Vasai) near Bombay (now Mumbai) before the British won those places later on. Hope this will be corrected and written in the right perspective. Thank you.

12 Sept 2023

Two centuries old tower named after pirates' lair.

[Sidcup?] : Kentish Times, 1984.

Details I want this

New subject headings

Title: Two centuries old tower named after pirates' lair.

Subjects: James, William, Sir, 1720-1783 -- Monuments -- England -- London; Tulājī Āngre, -1756; Shivaji, Raja, 1627-1680; Severndroog Castle (London, England); Follies (Architecture) -- England -- London; Maratha (Indic people)

Publication Details: [Sidcup?] : Kentish Times, 1984.

Language: English

Description: Summary: The term "pirate" was a term used by British colonial officials to justify attacks they carried out on various seafaring peoples around the world, particularly in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. This article refers to the Suvarnadurg Fort, built by the Raja Shivaji, founder of the Maratha Confederacy, to defend against attacks by both local chieftains and European colonial powers.

Identifier: System number: 011830312

Notes: Extract from: Kentish Times, November 22, 1984.
Title reflects the exact title of an article in The Kentish Times.

Physical Description: 1 sheet : ill.

Shelfmark(s): Asia, Pacific & Africa SB XXVI/93

UIN: BLL01011830312

Summary note

Note on title



3. Exploring Collections

- Facilitating curator-led approaches around complex collections
- Questionnaire to gather information on problematic metadata
- Spreadsheet of case studies
- Workshopping the ideal user experience
- Consider the use of content guidance at collection and item level
- Develop proposals for research placements

Potential collections:

India Office Records (IOR)

Papers of Edward Long

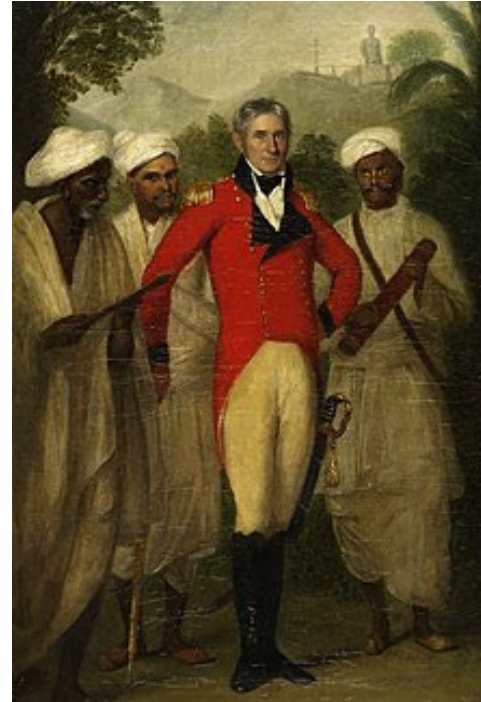
MSS related to Haitian Revolution

Oral histories of British South Asian life

EXAMPLE: Mackenzie Collection, IOR

Throughout his career as a surveyor in India Colin Mackenzie (1754-1821) collected materials on the history of India. His collections included materials in English, Dutch and 15 Asian languages written in 21 different characters.

- Little known about provenance – where he acquired from, how items were purchased etc.
- Parts of the collection catalogued using existing historic descriptions; other parts in process of cataloguing now with an element of sensitivity review
- Evidence of the contributions of pandits and Indians doing translation and intellectual work?
- Descriptions distributed across different collections and platforms



4. Collections as Data



- Identify sources of collections data, e.g. bibliographies, retro-converted catalogues, print catalogues, specialist catalogues, datasets
- Query data using list of problematic terminology and analyse using [AntConc](#)
- Explore patterns of bias through analysis of padded context
- Develop guidance on particular terms through gradual and repeated analysis of occurrences in different sources of description

CATALOGUE OF PHOTOGRAPHICALLY ILLUSTRATED BOOKS

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Book details

print **GROOM NAPIER, Charles Ottley**
home *Miscellanea anthropologica, or illustrations of races, three essays reprinted from the Anth. Jour.*
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search **Shellmark:** 10006.cc.62.
back **Publisher:** London: Groombridge & Sons ...; Bristol: T. Kerslake & Co. ...; and I. E. Chillcott ... [1867]. [4], 12, [2]p., frontispiece, [3] leaves of plates. 8° (21 cm).
England
Country: Anthropology
Subject: CRO 9 Jan 1868
Acquisition:
Notes: Title headed: Illustrated with thirty-five photographic figures - The frontispiece is a photographic copy of six portraits, while the plates contain eighteen photographs, cut and pasted.
Beattie, John (Clifton, Bristol)
Photographic copies of photographs and woodcuts of anthropological portrait studies.
Photographer: People
Description or title: From 2 x 2.3 cms. to 4.9 x 2.7 cms.
Contains photos of:
General photo size:
Photographs:

0 Turk, in profile; Abyssinian, profile; Neapolitan, full face; Negro of Soudon, full face; Chinaman, distinguished as a man of letters; Abyssinian, profile.
1 Anamese (Indo-Chinese Race.)

5. Elements of metadata

Subject and name headings

- Discuss alternative vocabularies, e.g. Homosaurus, African Studies Thesaurus
- Explore potential of local subject headings
- Explore use of subject heading files developed for specific cultures, e.g. Māori subject headings

Language

- Improve capability to search catalogue by language and incorporate non-Roman scripts
- Contribute to work around use of non-English language metadata

Advisory notes

- Explore use of specific fields for advisory note and alternatives

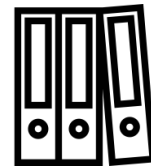
Discovery

- Develop workflow for mapping problematic terms to preferred terms in public catalogue



6. Communication

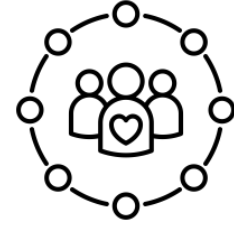
- Community of Practice as main vehicle of communication
- Internal communications to make metadata work accessible to all colleagues
- Project governance connects work to wider Race Equality Action Plan
- External knowledge sharing
- Communication as transparency



7. Training and documentation

- Defining inclusive descriptive practice
- Core principles
- Guidance for curators – how to embed inclusive descriptive practice
- Guidance for cataloguers – how to define and address problematic content
- Convert guidance into flowcharts
- Guidelines to support staff working with traumatic and distressing content
- Comprehensive training

8. Community Engagement



- Work with curators to involve user communities in our decisions
- Focus on British-Caribbean communities through research project centring creative engagement with our catalogue descriptions
- Improve current catalogue feedback experience

Respectful, reciprocal, community codesign

Inaction on acknowledging and addressing inaccurate, inappropriate, and racist descriptions can damage the affected communities' trust in and relationships with the libraries. Libraries and archives must rebuild this trust by *involving the communities represented in the process of repairing descriptions*. Recognizing and engaging with communities whose identity and culture are reflected in the collections as *equal stakeholders in metadata creation and maintenance* is a critical step in reparative description work. Essential to institutions' successful and sustained engagement with these communities is ensuring that these *relationships are reciprocal between communities and power-holding institutions*. When relationships are reciprocal, parties feel valued and honest conversations can occur.

OCLC Reimagine Descriptive Workflows (2022)

Tensions

| On the one hand | On the other |
|---|---|
| This is urgent work | It takes time and will benefit from slow work |
| We need to embed community consultation | Consultation needs to be non-extractive and the institution must take responsibility |
| This work is important for our general collections , shared and used by everyone | This work is important to special collections |
| Change is best accomplished at a local level | Change is best accomplished through networks |
| Language must be precise to demonstrate respect and inclusivity | In a diverse world, there will never be full agreement on the same words |

Source: OCLC Reimagine Descriptive Workflows

Thank
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LOCALLY PREFERRED TERMS IN WORLDCAT DISCOVERY

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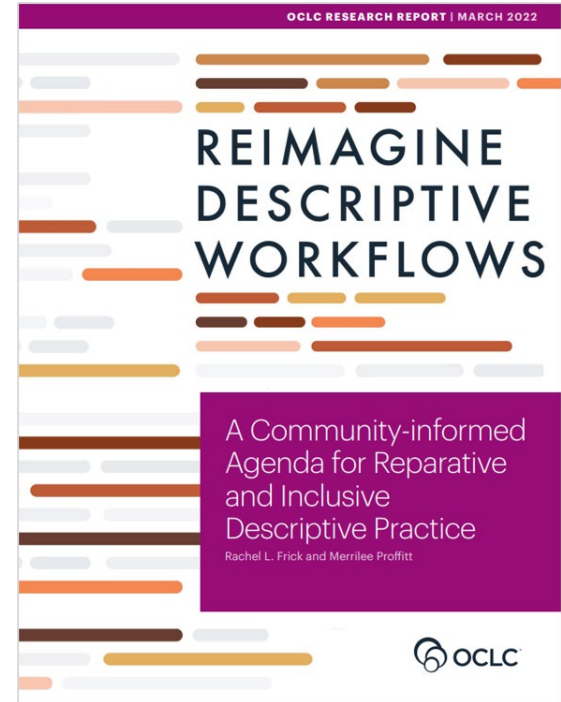
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Global Product Management, OCLC

What we will cover

- How "Reimagine Descriptive Workflows" fueled this feature
- Locally preferred subjects in WorldCat Discovery
- Directions for future work

Reimagine Descriptive Workflows

- Convening of library community broader than specific products
- My 'roadmap' takeaways from working sessions:
 - Reduce harm rapidly while more effective solutions develop within the library community and library ecosystem
 - Multiplicity – global solutions require culturally contextual solutions, not one-size-fits-all solutions



WorldCat – Continuously updated, scalable infrastructure for global and local bibliographic metadata

When controlled vocabularies do not encounter multiplicity issues, they scale at the pace of change.

An example:

- OCLC received updated LCSH vocabulary on 30 November and implemented changes to ~41,000 WorldCat records by 9 December 2022
- Primary changes include *aliens* to *noncitizens* and *illegal aliens* to *noncitizens* and *illegal immigration*
- Metadata now available for global use in local catalogs and in WMS

WorldCat model today



**Global data
leverages
controlled
vocabularies**

**Local data
further
enriches
existing data**

**Library
users**

Users see the terms you define

The screenshot shows a library catalog interface. At the top, a search bar contains the text "su: homeless persons" with a search icon and a close button. To the right of the search bar is a "Sign in" link. Below the search bar is a navigation bar with "Sources" on the left, "Search history" in the middle, and "Saved Items (0)" on the right. The main content area displays a search result for the book "Housing homeless persons : administrative law and the administrative process" by Ian Loveland. The result includes a book cover image, a "View eBook" button, and a "Report a Broken Link" link. The title is underlined and highlighted in purple. The author's name is also underlined and highlighted in purple. The publication information is "eBook 1995" and "Oxford : Clarendon Press ; New York : Oxford University Press, 1995." The summary states: "The size of Britain's homeless population has risen considerably since the introduction of the Housing (Homeless) Persons Act 1977. This study presents detailed empirical information on the manner in which three local authorities implemented the homelessness legislation." The subjects are listed as "Homeless persons--Legal status, laws, etc" and "Homeless persons--Legal status, laws, etc.--Great Britain". A green checkmark indicates the book is "Available" and "At other libraries worldwide".

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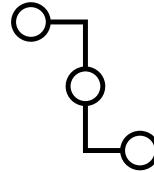
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✓ Available
At other libraries worldwide

- Subject search for “su: homeless persons”
- Even if I added local bibliographic data, there would be no change to the global data

How can we update language for the user to reduce harm caused by one-size-fits-all controlled vocabularies?

WorldCat model today replaced with local terms



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- Subject search for “su: homeless persons”
- I updated the globally controlled data that meets expectations of my library’s language

Local subject re-mapping template

| Region | Symbol | 6xx Field | 6xx 2nd indicato | 6xx \$2 Value | Category | Subject Heading | Alternative Heading |
|--------|--------|-----------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---|---|
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Homelessness | African American homeless children | African American children experiencing homelessness |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Homelessness | African American homeless persons | African Americans experiencing homelessness |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Homelessness | African American homeless persons in literature | African Americans experiencing homelessness in literature |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Homelessness | African American homeless women | African American women experiencing homelessness |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Alien criminals | Noncitizen criminals |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Alien detention centers | Immigrant detention centers |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Alien property | Property of noncitizens |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Aliens | Noncitizens |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Aliens in art | Noncitizens in art |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Aliens in literature | Noncitizens in literature |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Aliens in mass media | Noncitizens in mass media |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Aliens/Illegal Aliens | Aliens in motion pictures | Noncitizens in motion pictures |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Indigenous Peoples | American fiction Indian authors History and criticism | American fiction indigenous authors History and criticism |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Indigenous Peoples | American literature Indian authors | American literature indigenous authors |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Asian | Authors, Oriental | Authors, Asian |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind | Person who is blind |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind athletes | Athletes who are blind |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind children | Children who are blind |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind painters | Painters who are blind |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind scholars | Scholars who are blind |
| USA | OCL | | 650 | 0 n/a | Disability | Blind sculptors | Sculptors who are blind |

With this document, libraries can:

- Share their work and collaborate
- Benefit from the contributions of others
- Access/share region-specific re-mappings

Item details display local subjects

Users will see the replaced subject on the item details page. The subject is linked, so they can click to perform a search on that term.

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More Author/Title Info: Ian Loveland.

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Phase 1 – Harmful language warning

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Future development roadmap

- **Research complete:** Optimizations to support large-scale efforts (e.g. use of regular expressions to match multiple items in configuration files)
- **Research not started:** Considering how to help provide sensitive content warnings
- **Have an idea?** Please share with us!

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what is
known must
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Thank you.

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Linked Data

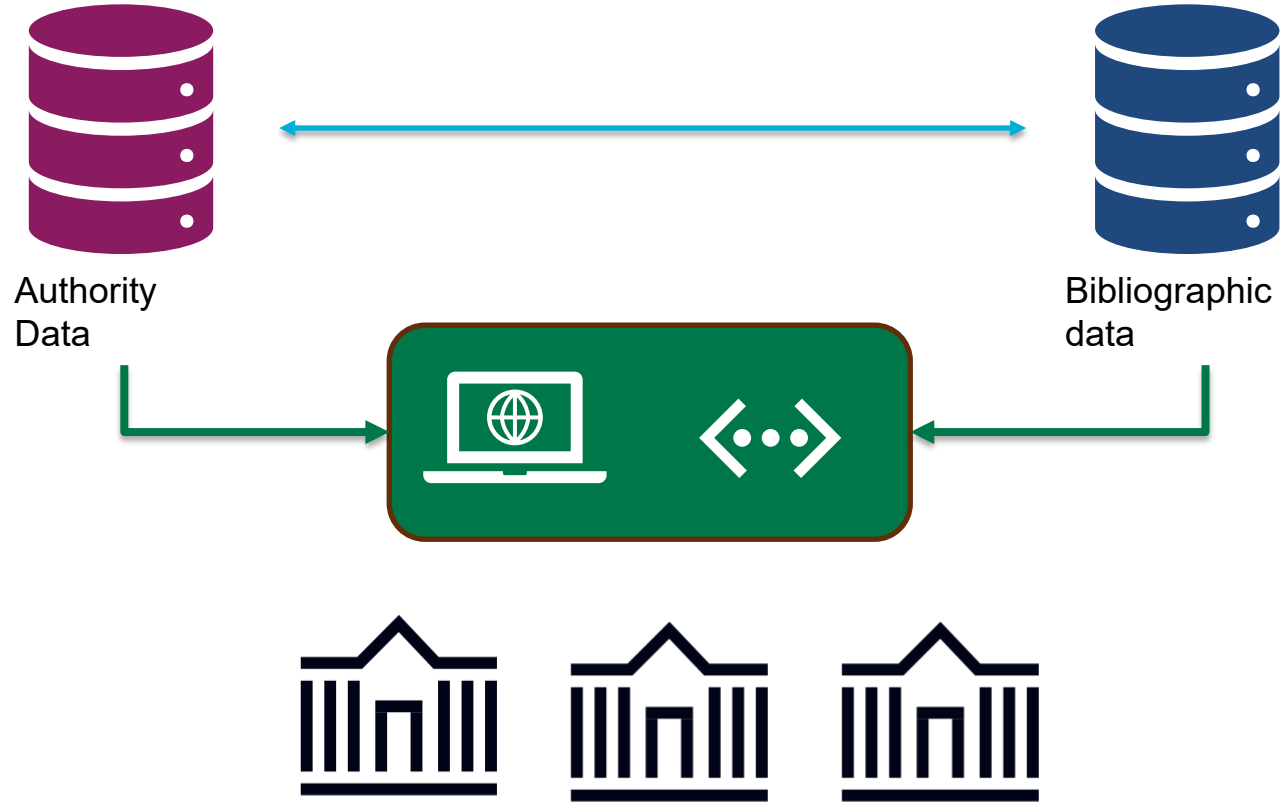
Why linked data



Solving for a variety of challenges

- **Increasingly complex and messy hybrid environments**
- **Disparate URIs** make authority work difficult and time-consuming
- **Lack of tools** supporting a unified cataloging environment prohibits data connections
- **Inability for data to serve multiple workflows** leads to duplicative creation and curation
- **Absence of an ecosystem** that enables shared, collaborative linked data management at scale promotes disparate workflows which are ill-suited and unsustainable

OCLC's linked data ecosystem

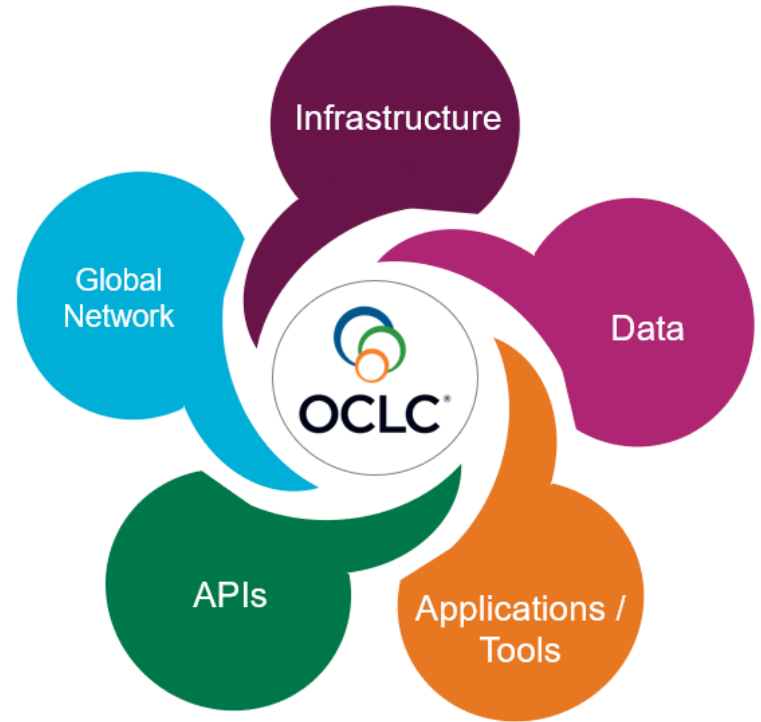


Meeting libraries where you are today

- **Create global identifiers** that will be used across workflows by adding to URIs to WorldCat data
- **Release tools that bridge the gap** between traditional records and linked data frameworks to enable seamless creation and curation of data
- **Import and export WorldCat data as BIBFRAME** so librarians can work seamlessly between MARC and BIBFRAME
- **Evaluate and adapt to flavors of BIBFRAME** so librarians can share and exchange data with the highest fidelity possible

OCLC linked data ecosystem

OCLC improves access to bibliographic metadata by working with the global library community to create and nurture a linked data ecosystem that encompasses infrastructure, data, applications, APIs, and a global network.



Connexion

What you need to know

- We're discontinuing Connexion browser on **30 April 2024**
- We encourage you to make the switch to WorldShare Record Manager today; access is already included in your cataloging subscription
- Record Manager is a modern, web-based cataloging solution that supports all the workflows you're accustomed to with Connexion browser, plus much more
- We're committed to providing the support and resources needed to make the transition as quick and easy as possible
- We will continue to support the Windows-based Connexion client, so users of the locally installed software can continue to use Connexion client as normal

What do users think?

“Record Manager is super easy to use—a lot less steps than Connexion browser.”

Martha Higgins, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Library

“It was really easy to transition from Connexion browser to Record Manager.”

Connie Sterner, Natural Resource Building Library, Fish and Wildlife

“...Record Manager provides greater flexibility in the searching process through its selected facets for finding specific bibliographic records that match both physical and digital acquired resources.”

Milagros Dominicci, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus

Why switch to Record Manager?

- **Work in a more intuitive and efficient cataloging environment** with improved search functionality to more easily find WorldCat® records for copy cataloging and managing WorldCat holdings
- **Better serve diverse communities** through non-Latin script data in WorldCat records
- **Locally manage staff users and permissions** through email-based WorldShare authentication
- **Leverage more label formats** plus the option to create custom labels
- **Access more authority files**, including AAT, BNE, Canadiana, GND Authorities, LC, Māori Subject Headings, MeSH Authorities, NTA Names, and RVM.
- **View more UI language options**, including English, Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, and Spanish

How will we support you?

We're here to help! To make this transition as easy as possible, the following resources are available to you:

- ✓ Links to live trainings and dedicated office hours where you can connect with OCLC staff and ask questions
- ✓ On-demand demos and introduction videos
- ✓ Functionality comparison chart and a detailed action-by-action comparison table
- ✓ Log-in/credential assistance

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[Get started with Record Manager](#)

WorldShare Collection Manager and WorldCat knowledge base



WorldShare[®] Collection Manager

- Provides access to the WorldCat knowledge base to **simplify and automate** your **electronic workflows**
- Automatically **maintains WorldCat holdings**
- Improves the quality of your catalog with optional **WorldCat MARC record delivery**
- Makes your e-resources easier to find in **WorldCat.org** and **Google Scholar**
- Available to all **Cataloging subscribers**, including WMS libraries

WorldCat knowledge base collections

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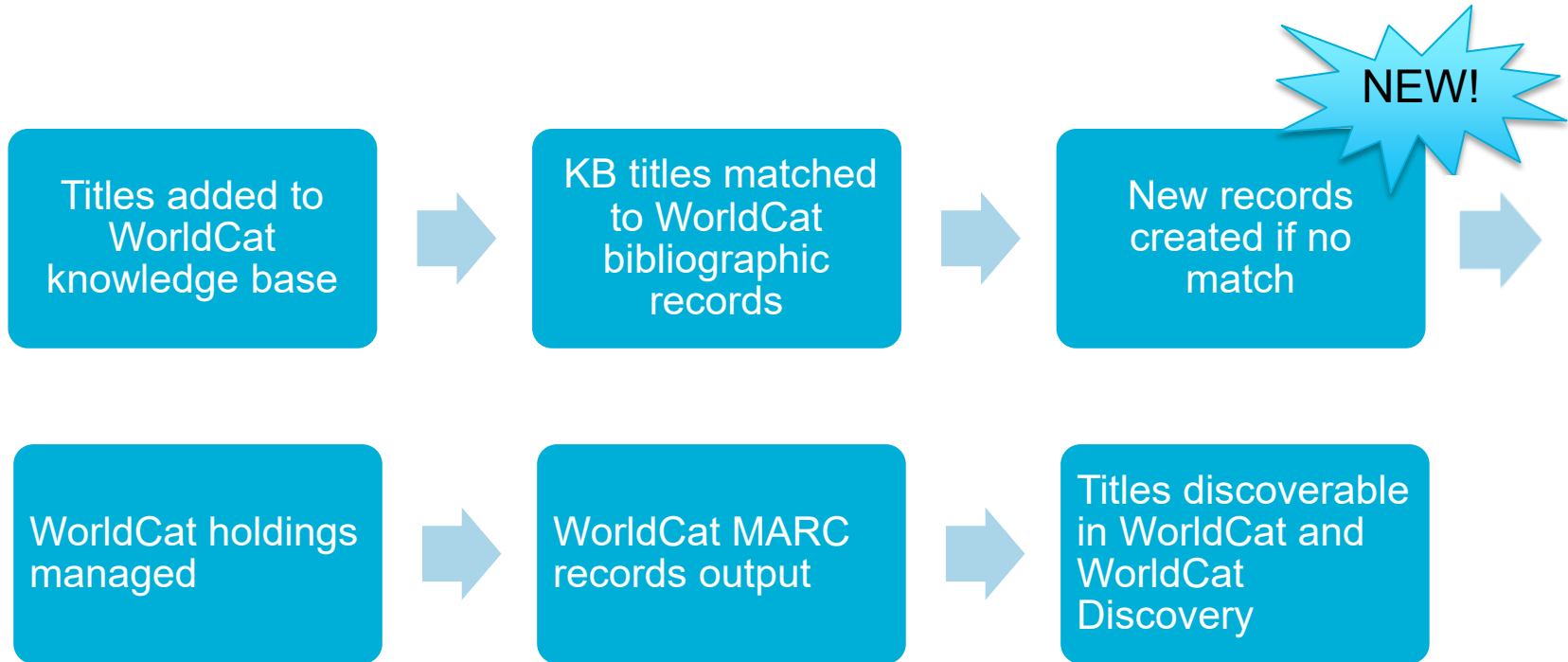


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Automated creation of WorldCat records for WorldCat knowledge base titles

- Goal: 100% of titles in WorldCat knowledge base global collections will match to WorldCat bibliographic records
- ELvl = 3 with 040 value OCLKB to denote created by automation
- Recorded on Collection Manager title history
- Retrievable in Record Manager and Connexion to upgrade
 - “lv:3 AND cs=oclkb AND li:[your library symbol]”
- Upgrades available via Collection Manager WorldCat Updates

Automated creation of WorldCat records



WorldCat Metadata API

WorldCat Metadata API 2.0

- Now available!
- Read and write Local Holdings Records (LHRs)
- Search WorldCat and receive single best-match WorldCat bibliographic record from multiple matches
- Search Local Bibliographic Data (LBD) records on a variety of indexes
- Previously added to 1.1: search WorldCat on additional indexes rather than only by OCLC Number
- WorldCat Metadata API 1.x will be decommissioned on 30 April 2024

For more information and comparison table, visit oclc.org/metadatabase

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OCLC Data Quality Update



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Today's topics

- Faceted Application for Subject Terminology (FAST)
- DDC Enrichment Project
- Q&A to follow

Faceted Application for Subject Terminology

- Collaboration of OCLC Research and the Library of Congress
- Consists of nine distinct categories or facets:
 - Personal names (field 600)
 - Corporate names (field 610)
 - Meeting names (field 611)
 - Geographic names (field 651)
 - Events (field 647)
 - Titles (field 630)
 - Time periods (field 648)
 - Topics (field 650)
 - Form/Genre (field 655)

FAST Quick Start Guide

The *FAST Quick Start Guide* is intended to give you answers to some of the most frequently asked questions about FAST and offer instructions for getting up and running with FAST in any environment.

oc.lc/fast-quick-start-guide

FAST Quick Start Guide

Report prepared by Chew Chiat Naun, Kerre Kammerer, Kim Mumbower, and Dean Seeman of the FAST Policy and Outreach Committee

APRIL 2022

FAST Converter

Web interface for the conversion of Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) to FAST headings.



FAST Converter

Convert LSCH Subject Headings to FAST Subject Headings

ENTER LIBRARY OF CONGRESS SUBJECTS:

```
600 $aWashington, George, $d 1732-1799
650 $aTrenton, Battle of, Trenton, N.J., 1776 $v
Juvenile literature.
651 $aDelaware River (N.Y.-Del. and N.J.).
```

Enter LCSH subject headings here, using \$ for field separators and including the 6xx field number. Clicking Convert will start the conversion, and the results will appear to the right. This converter has a 20 heading limit.

FAST Result

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600 17 $a Washington, George, $d 1732-1799 $2 fast $0 (OCoLC)fst00178100
647 7 $a Battle of Trenton $c (Trenton, New Jersey : $d 1776) $2 fast $0
(OCoLC)fst01404297
648 7 $a 1776 $2 fast
651 7 $a New Jersey $z Trenton. $2 fast $0 (OCoLC)fst01207908
651 7 $a United States $z Delaware River. $2 fast $0 (OCoLC)fst01310316
655 7 $a Juvenile works. $2 fast $0 (OCoLC)fst01411637
```

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FAST Funnel

The Library of Congress > Cataloging_Acquisitions > PCC > SACO > SACO Funnels > FAST Funnel Project (Faceted Application of Subject Terminology)

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FAST Funnel Project (Faceted Application of Subject Terminology)

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Background

The [FAST Policy and Outreach Committee](#) established the FAST Funnel to support the development of the FAST vocabularies. The Funnel provides a route by which new terms can be proposed for FAST or through which changes to existing terminology can be proposed. Any member of the FAST user community may use the funnel.

<https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/saco/FASTfun.html>

FAST Funnel *NEW* Term Proposal

FAST Funnel

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<https://fast.oclc.org/searchfast/>

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Please submit one form per term.







Updating FAST headings

Adds, Changes, Deletes

- OCLC adds FAST to WorldCat bibliographic records with Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) and no FAST headings. FAST headings may be manually assigned within a new record for a resource being cataloged, or to a record found in the database for the resource.
- When changing, deleting, and/or adding Library of Congress Subject Headings in a bibliographic record, while not required, it is encouraged to delete the entire set of FAST headings, and they will be completely regenerated in about a month
- More information: oclc.org/oclc-fast

Ability to control FAST headings

BEFORE CONTROLLING

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| 650 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 | Arithmetic \$x Foundations. \$2 fast \$0 (OCoLC)fst00814493 |  |  |
| 650 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 | Number concept. \$2 fast \$0 (OCoLC)fst01041202 |  |  |
| 655 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 | Psychological fiction. \$2 fast \$0 (OCoLC)fst01726481 |  |  |

AFTER CONTROLLING

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| 655 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 | Psychological fiction \$2 fast |  |  |

DDC Enrichment Project

Goal: add DDC numbers to bib records that lack them

- Class number comes from other records in a work cluster
- Formatting and conditions set by Alex Kyrios, Senior Dewey Editor
- Treat as any other class number found in a record

Example

- 082 04 \$a 306.909421 \$q OCoLC \$2 23/eng/20230216

DDC Enrichment

Progress so far

- Initial pass resulted in approximately 85M candidate records
- ~79 million records processed since February
- Added DDC number to 61.8 million records
- Clean up scan to process new candidate records

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Final notes

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Continue the conversation

- Cataloging policy
 - Email AskQC@oclc.org
 - AskQC twice monthly webinars
- News, discussions, and more...
 - Cataloging and Metadata [community](#)
 - Record Manager [community](#)
 - Collection Manager [community](#)

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Stay in touch

Regional offices:

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<https://oc.lc/community>

Thank you



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**And thank you to
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