



BIBLIOTHECA ALEXANDRINA

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Bibliotheca Alexandrina

Cataloguing concerns

Agenda



- BA objectives
- Cataloguing section objectives
- Current projects fulfilling each objective
- Conclusion

BA objectives



- ❧ World's window on Egypt.
- ❧ Egypt's window on the world.
- ❧ Leading institution of the digital age.
- ❧ Center for learning, tolerance, dialogue and understanding.

BA Cataloguing section objectives



- ❧ **World's window on Egypt.**
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I. World's window on Egypt



- ☞ DDC expansion and the Arabic DDC version
- ☞ Arabic subject headings and Arabic name authority file
- ☞ Arabic Edition of MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data

I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



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I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



☞ DDC expansion and the Arabic DDC version

☞ 297 for Islam, Babism, Bahia Faith.

☞ Approved by EPC

☞ Will be included in the print version of DDC 23.

I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



☞ DDC expansion

☞ **Arabic subject headings and Arabic name authority file**

☞ Arabic Edition of MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data

I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



- ❧ **Arabic subject headings and Arabic Name authority file**
 - ❧ Arabic script and Arabic authority file necessary for
 - ❧ Arabic bibliographic control of our Arabic collection
 - ❧ VIAF records
 - ❧ Limited contribution of Arabic name records to NACO
 - ❧ Authority center to serve the Arab world
 - ❧ BA catalog linking feature among multilingual scripts

I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



☞ DDC expansion

☞ Arabic subject headings and Arabic name authority file

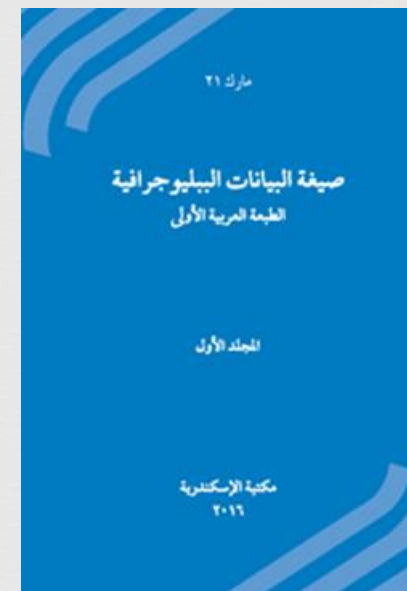
☞ **Arabic Edition of MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data**

I. World's window on Egypt cont'd



Arabic Edition of MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data

- Comprehensive,
- Complete,
- Updated,
- and faithful translation (not Arabization)
- Examples ensuring Arabic coverage
- Printed version (3 vols)
- Online version (most important tags)



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BA Cataloguing section objectives



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II. Egypt's window on the world



☞ RDA

☞ BIBFRAME

II. Egypt's window on the world cont'd



☞ **RDA**

☞ **BIBFRAME**

II. Egypt's window on the world cont'd



∞ RDA

- ∞ An in-house training
- ∞ Currently the BA specialists are
 - ∞ Writing local policy
 - ∞ Writing Arabic RDA vocab.
- ∞ Transitory phase to apply RDA as a new cataloguing standard
 - ∞ Based on FRBR and FRAD
 - ∞ Help catalog users find the needed information easily
 - ∞ Flexible framework

II. Egypt's window on the world cont'd



☞ RDA

☞ **Bibframe**

II. Egypt's window on the world cont'd



☞ **Bibframe**

The BA specialists are following closely the development associated with the Bibframe data model.

The BA is the only Arabic library member of the **BIBFRAME Implementation Register**

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III. Leading institution of the digital age



∞ DAR

∞ Digital Assets Repository

∞ Repository developed by the BA to maintain the Library's digital collections.

∞ Provides public access to digitized collections through a web-based search and browsing facility.

∞ Includes the largest Arabic book collection.

∞ Books out-of-copyright

∞ Books in-copyright

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IV. Center for learning, tolerance, dialogue and understanding section



ILTP

- International Librarianship Training Program
- Program to train librarians on the latest techniques in the field of library and information science, especially in Egypt, the Arab Region, and Africa.
- Based on the combination between academic and practical perspectives.
- Covers various areas of the library profession by providing Integrated programs, courses, workshops and separate lectures.

IV. Center for learning, tolerance, dialogue and understanding section cont'd



ILTP

Examples of the courses delivered

- ∞ Anglo-American Cataloging Rules
- ∞ Bibliographic Classification Program
 - ∞ Machine Readable Cataloging “MARC 21”
 - ∞ Dewey Decimal Classification
 - ∞ Subjective Cataloging
 - ∞ Workshop Authority Control
- ∞ Collection Development
- ∞ Bibliographic Citation

Conclusion



The 3 projects of

- ❧ Arabic DDC version with its Arabic relative index,
- ❧ Arabic name Authority file and its contribution to VIAF
- ❧ Arabic subject heading list and its future contribution in SKOS (Simple Knowledge Organization System)

All together are supposed to contribute of being a part of the world heritage through the W3C .

Conclusion



The BA role will help in linking the world heritage to the Arabic heritage and vice versa.