To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Bill Leonard, CCC representative

Subject: Revisions of RDA 11.13.1.8.2

CCC appreciates the work that went into this proposal to try to improve the filing order of authorized access points for conferences. We are reluctant to change RDA because of filing order issues in browseable indexes. The filing order in indexes is not within the scope of RDA. Even so, we are not convinced the proposed changes would improve the filing order.

LC’s response in 6JSC/ALA/14/rev/LC response provides useful explanations as to why some access points contain both the place associated with the corporate body and the location of the conference. CCC agrees with the addition of examples proposed by LC in its response. From a stylistic point of view, it is regrettable to see 11.13.1.8.2 changed from an “add” to a “do not add” instruction.

We agree with the phrase suggested by LC to be added to 11.13.1.8.2 to clarify that one can disambiguate access points for conference series with the same elements as any other corporate body. We also suggest adding a phrase to the second last paragraph of the general instruction 11.13.1.1 to specifically include series of conferences.

11.13.1.1 General Guidelines on Constructing Authorized Access Points to Represent Corporate Bodies
[first four paragraphs, examples blocks changed as per LC’s response]

Make the additions specified at 11.13.1.3–11.13.1.7 if they are needed to distinguish access points representing different corporate bodies with the same name, or different series of conferences with the same name.
Make the additions at 11.13.1.8 for the access point representing a conference, as appropriate.