



sub-types and sub-elements to show the relationships between elements. A much greater emphasis has been placed on the FRBR user tasks and FRBR group 1 and group 2 entities than in AACR2. On the other hand, ISBD display order and punctuation are being relegated to an appendix. The old concept of main entry is being redesignated as “primary access point”; there is still much discussion about whether this concept is still useful.

A draft of part A of RDA has been published and is undergoing constituency review. It covers resource description and relationships between resources. A draft of part B is expected at the end of 2006 and will cover access point control, i.e. authority records.

CC:DA takes a strong interest in standards and documents that emanate from IFLA, especially FRBR and the ISBDs. Whenever a document in the field of descriptive cataloging is issued for worldwide review, the committee usually establishes a task force to review it and make comments. For example, last October it submitted comments on *Functional Requirements for Authority Records: A Conceptual Model*, in May it issued comments on the draft revision of ISBD(A), and at this writing is preparing to review the consolidated edition of the ISBDs.

## URLs

ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

<http://www.ala.org/ala/alctscontent/catalogingsection/catcommittees/ccda/ccda.htm>

*Resource Description and Access*

<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/rda.html>

Prototype demonstration of RDA

<http://www.rdaonline.org/>

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