Is RDA the Only Way?
An Alternative Option Through
International Cooperation

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RDA Changes
That the Patrons Will Experience

- abbreviations spelled out
- some changes in punctuation
- GMD replaced by the 33x fields
- different transcription rules
- abolishing the rule of three into the rule of one according to cataloger's discretion
- a few changes in uniform titles

Older Records will still have abbreviations—always

Patrons cannot notice differences in transcription

Uniform titles: *Bible. N.T. Mark* will change to *Bible. Mark*

*people rarely browse today like they did in the card catalog*
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- Elimination of the Rule of Three: will there be more access or less?
FRBR functionality in WorldCat today
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Headings extracted from search result and made available for limiting.
What do Patrons want to do when they come to the library?

Use the catalog?
OR

Browse the Shelves?

Use the materials?
There is no alternative
Do the Rules HAVE to come from above?
CAN the rules come from below?
For these projects to succeed demands:

- Work
- Responsibility
- Caring
- Cooperation