



**Building library networks with
Linked Data**

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Introduction

Founded

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Function

National Library of the Netherlands

Status

Autonomous administrative body since 31 August 1993,
financed by the Ministry of Education, Culture & Science

Digital Library

We have about 800,000 printed and digital publications
(60 million pages) made available online exposed in 18
million visits to our websites in 2017. Building the National
Digital Library.



Our mission

*The Koninklijke Bibliotheek is the national library of the Netherlands. Driven by the **power of the written word** we further **intellectual development, proficiency and creativity** in the Netherlands. To this end, we seek **collaboration** with partners in the domains of **public libraries, cultural heritage and academics**.*

*The KB promotes the **visibility, usability and longevity** of the Dutch Library Collection, defined as the collective holdings of all publicly funded libraries in the Netherlands. **Unhindered access** to these collections furthers the development of new ideas and allows researchers to build upon the ideas of their predecessors.*

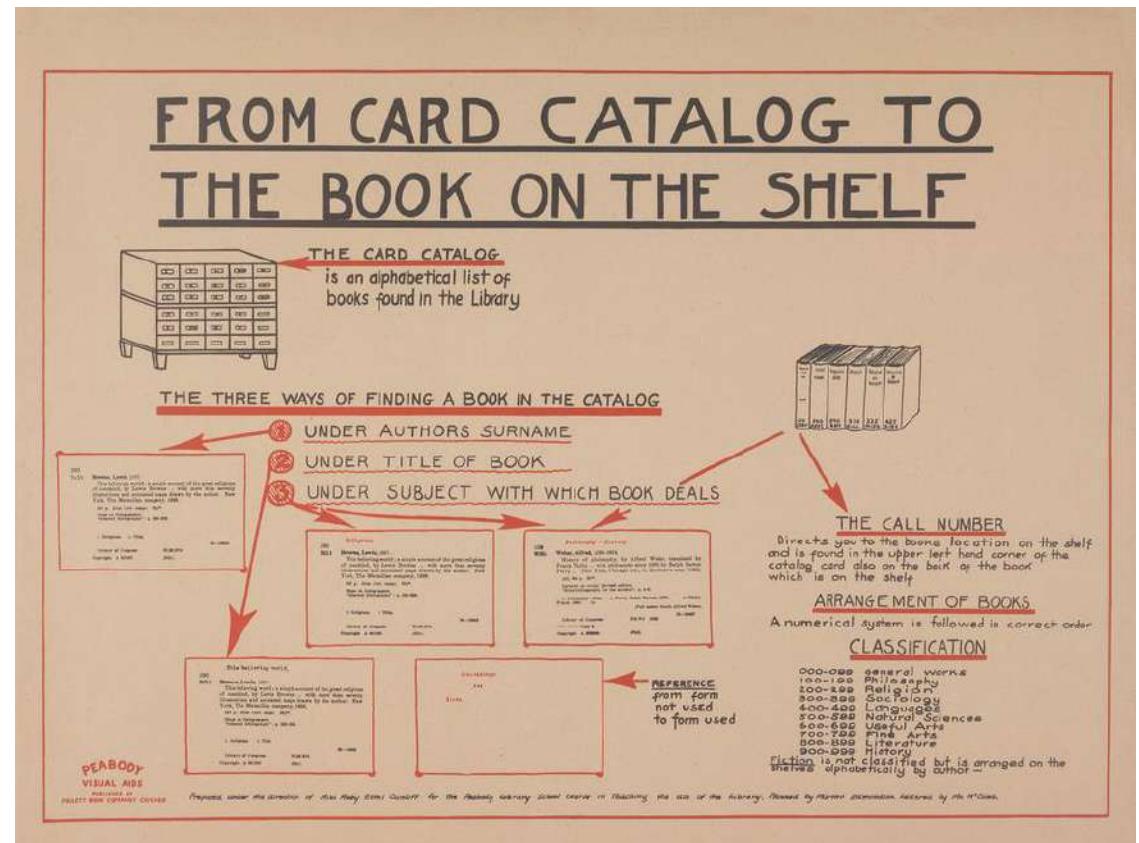
Unhindered access (1)...

- bibliographical information is key
- still modelled on the physical card catalogue
- described in an archaic metadata format

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Unhindered access (2)...

- and a workflow based on **copy cataloging**:

Copy cataloging means finding a matching existing cataloging record (bibliographic record) for an item in hand, editing the record as necessary and attaching the local holding information to the bibliographic record

The use of copy cataloging facilitates resource and bibliographic sharing. Without copy cataloging libraries, organizations, and individuals would be doing original record creation, at much greater expense and heavier use of available staff time. Sometimes records are improved and or corrected in the process of copy cataloging, such as upgrading minimal-level vendor copy.

From: https://liswiki.org/wiki/Copy_cataloging

Universal Bibliographic Control

“Universal Bibliographic Control is grounded on sharing the effort of resource description, eliminating redundancy by encouraging sharing and re-use of bibliographic data.

*A National bibliographic agency (NBA) has the responsibility for providing the **authoritative bibliographic data** for publications of its own country and for making that data available to other NBAs, libraries, and other communities (for instance archives and museums) through appropriate and timely services with the goal of increasing open access to the bibliographic data.”*

Stated by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) in 2012

<https://www.ifla.org/files/assets/bibliography/Documents/ifla-professional-statement-on-ubc-en.pdf>

Authoritative bibliographic Linked Data

National Bibliographic Agencies are responsible for providing authoritative bibliographic data for

- publications of its own country
- authorized access points for persons, families, corporate bodies, names of places
- authoritative citations for works related to its own country

Our point of view:

- ⇒ It's our task as a National Library to provide authoritative bibliographic
- ⇒ And provide this in open and reusable way (using Linked Open Data)



tor sparql queen @cm_harlow · Jul 30

the amount of inefficiency that translates to catalogers, metadataists, and others working with CHO data duplicating all kinds of their work, info, etc. across systems bc we don't build proper data infrastructure makes me weep into my coffee.

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@karencoyle

Following

Replies to [@cm_harlow](#)

It's one part data infrastructure, but also one part "no one's data is as good as mine". I'd like to see an open Bibliopedia for all of the people, places, material types, etc. that one could link to but would folks buy into an open authority?

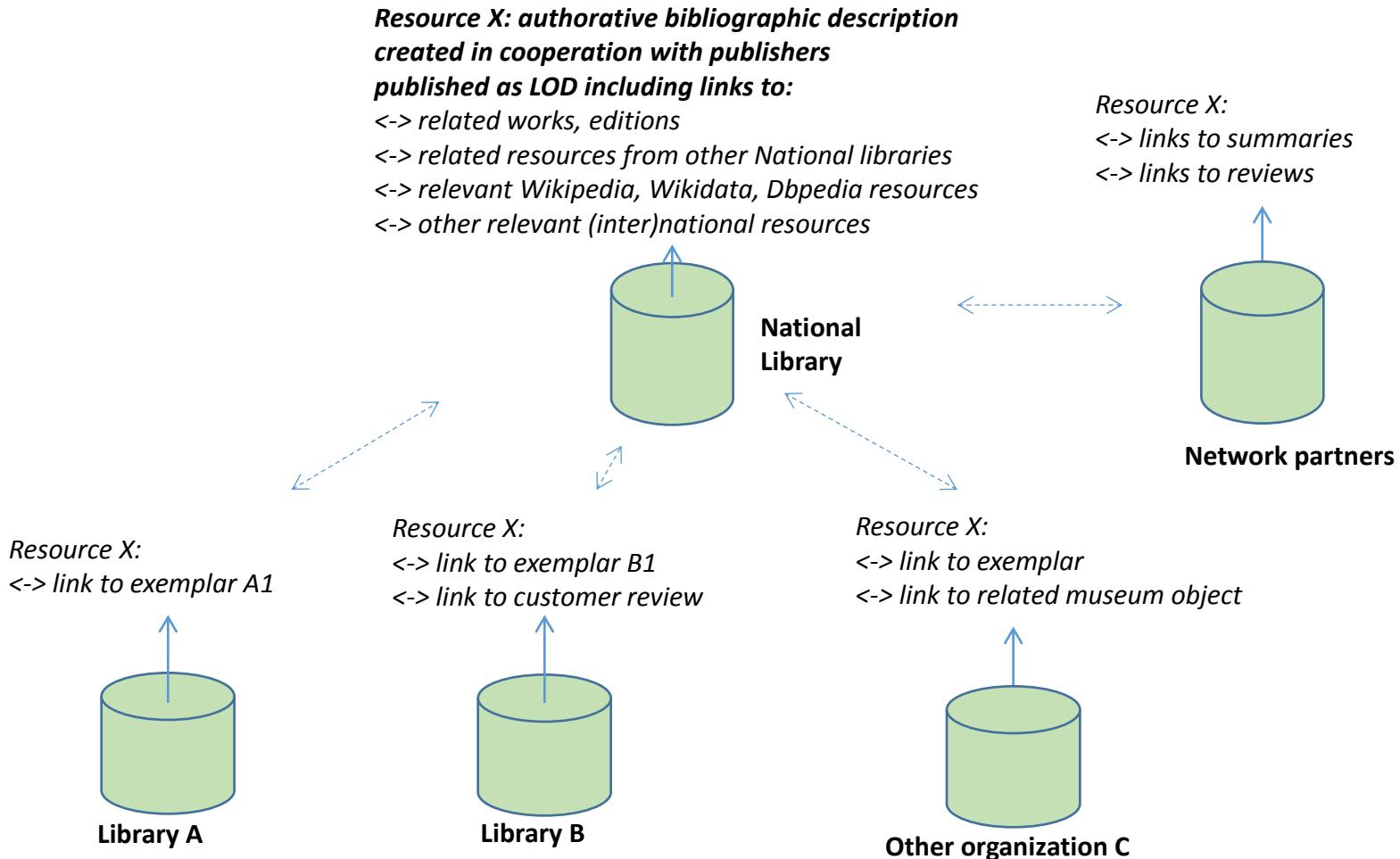
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And others National Libraries are doing it...

“By basing the system on linked open data, we avoid locking away valuable information in library-specific infrastructure and formats. This reduces the threshold for wider reuse. That is in itself a paradigm shift, but it will also lead to higher quality and greater precision in describing the resources of Swedish libraries”, says Martin Malmsten, IT Architect at KB.

[The National Library of Sweden becomes the first national library to fully transition to linked data \(July 2018\)](#)

Linked Open Library Network...



Challenges for a Linked Library Network

- Trust and readiness to cooperate
- Changing old habits, awareness
- Lack of support by library systems vendors
- Business models
- Restrictions on metadata reuse
- Limitations of Linked Data tools for generation, publication, linking, discovery

Impact for publishing reusable data

- Provide sustainable access
- Offer linking and matching functionality
- Redesign metadata distribution process
- Cooperate on shared goals for quality and completeness
- Support for additional information
- Identify and link additional sources

Linked Data generation process

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# Publication event:  
for seq in `seq -w 0 $n` ; do echo '  
ECHO "Publication event {seq}:\n";  
SPARQL  
DEFINE sql:log-enable 3  
INSERT INTO GRAPH <http://data.bibliotheken.nl/nbt-schema/>  
{  
    ?URI schema:publication [  
        schema:organizer [  
            rdf:type schema:Organization;  
            schema:name ?uitgever  
        ] ;  
        schema:location ?plaatsen ;  
        schema:startDate ?datumUitgave  
    ] .  
}  
WHERE { GRAPH <http://data.bibliotheken.nl/nbtraw/> {  
    ?s pica:002-/pica:002-0 ?type .  
    ?s pica:003-/pica:003-0 ?ppn .  
    OPTIONAL { ?s pica:033A/pica:033An ?uitgever }  
    OPTIONAL { ?s pica:011-/pica:011-a ?datumUitgave }  
    OPTIONAL {  
        SELECT ?s (GROUP_CONCAT(distinct ?plaatsUitgave; separator = ", ") AS ?plaatsen)  
        WHERE { ?s pica:033A/pica:033Ap ?plaatsUitgave . }  
        GROUP BY ?s  
    }  
    BIND(IRI(CONCAT("http://data.bibliotheken.nl/id/nbt/p", ?ppn)) AS ?URI )  
    FILTER REGEX (?type, "(^A|^O|^F|^M|^K|^I|^S)")  
    FILTER REGEX (STR(?ppn), "^.{seq}")  
};  
' | perl -pe "s@{seq}@$seq@" ; done
```

Modelling: schema.org compliant

Used vocabularies:

- cc Creative Commons Rights Expression Language
 - dcterms DCMI Metadata Terms
 - foaf FOAF Vocabulary
 - owl OWL Web Ontology Language
 - rdf RDF syntax
 - rdfs RDF schema
 - schema Schema.org, shared vocabulary for structured data on the internet
 - skos SKOS Simple Knowledge Organization System
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- Schema.org to be discoverable for the rest of the world
 - Future support for domain specific models (f.e. IFLA-LRM, BIBFRAME, EDM)



Nederlandse Bibliografie Totaal (NBT)

<http://data.bibliotheeken.nl/id/dataset/nbt>

BETA DECEMBER 2017

rdfs:label	Nederlandse Bibliografie Totaal (NBT) @nl
cc:attributionName	Nederlandse Bibliografie Totaal (NBT) @nl
schema:description	Nederlandse Bibliografie Totaal (NBT) bevat publicaties die in Nederland, over Nederland of in de Nederlandse taal zijn verschenen @nl
schema:name	Nederlandse Bibliografie Totaal (NBT) @nl
rdf:type	void:Dataset schema:Dataset
rdfs:seeAlso	< https://www.kb.nl/bronnen-zoekwijzers/dataservices-en-apis > < https://www.kb.nl/organisatie/voor-uitgevers/informatie-over-de-nederlandse-bibliografie >



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Alignments in Wikidata

Paul Otlet (Q1868)

Belgian author and visionary

Paul Marie Ghislain Otlet | Paul Marie Otlet

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Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	Paul Otlet	Belgian author and visionary	Paul Marie Ghislain Otlet Paul Marie Otlet
Dutch	Paul Otlet	Belgische bibliograaf, theosoof, pacifist en ondernemer	

National Thesaurus for Author

Names ID



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http://data.bibliotheken.nl/id/thes/p070644683

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Recently used in
[AdamNet project](#)

Braakensiek, Albertus (sr. ; 1811-1883 ; graveur, lithograaf, tekenaar)

<http://data.bibliotheken.nl/id/thes/p070009031>

rdfs:comment medewerker van zoons A.B.H. en J.C. (Scheen)



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schema:name Albertus Braakensiek

schema:birthDate 1811

schema:familyName Braakensiek

schema:givenName Albertus

rdf:type schema:Person

owl:sameAs <<http://viaf.org/viaf/34756443>>

foaf:isPrimaryTopicOf _98e5fe88dcf48fe265ac0550497f6ce4

Source: [Lukas Koster ELAG 2018](#)

pilot for Europeana metadata aggregation based on schema.org

Session 3.3

Solutions for NGOs & Cultural Heritage

 Time: Thursday, September 13, 2018 - 10:15 to 11:15

 Place: Danube Suite 1

Aggregation of Cultural Heritage Collections through the Web of Data

The existence of many digital libraries, maintained by different organizations, brings challenges to the discoverability of cultural heritage (CH) resources. Metadata aggregation is an approach where centralized efforts like Europeana facilitate their discoverability by collecting the resource's metadata. Nowadays, CH institutions are increasingly applying technologies designed for the wider interoperability on the Web. In this context, we have identified the Schema.org vocabulary and linked data (LD) as potential technologies for innovating CH metadata aggregation.



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