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Meetings

The last meeting of the RG was the editing meeting in Sydney (1998). No meetings were required, since the work was limited to the processing of comments on the Framework and SQL documents.

Ballots and comments processing

EI Framework (1.21.58.1)

Processing of the comments from the CD ballot is completed, and the document will be delivered to the SC32 Secretariat at the end of this week (there is some work to do this week in harmonizing definitions and references with SQL and RDA standards).

It is recommended to proceed to FCD ballot to conclude this project.

SQL EI (1.21.58.2)

The editor for this project, T.W. Olle (UK) has resigned last year, and nobody has volunteered to process the results of the CD ballot and Sydney editing meeting.

It is therefore recommended that this project be canceled, and removed from the programme of work of SC32.

Future of RG2

With one project canceled, one completed, and the last one going to FCD, there are no reasons to maintain RG2. Processing of the Framework from FCD to IS is part of the editor's responsibility, and few comments are expected on the FCD ballot.

It is therefore recommended to disband RG2. If further work is required in the "interchange" area of SC32's mandate, it should probably be planned by a study group, and allocated to existing or new working group(s).

Conclusion

Before disappearing from this project, (not necessarily from area of work), I would like to thank:

T.W (Bill) Olle	For his help in initiating the work in Florence, Italy, long ago, and for the preparation of the SQL EI CD;
Ray Gates	For producing the first base document, titled Generic Export/Import, parts of which are now in the framework;
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David Gradwell	For bringing the IRDS EI to IS;
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