

## **SVUC meeting**

Time and place:

22.03.2007 10.00 – 17.00 at Danish Bibliographic Centre

23.03.2007 09.00 – 12.00 at Danish Library Agency

Participants: Juha Hakala, The National Library of Finland (chair)  
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Sigrún Hauksdóttir, Consortium of Icelandic Libraries  
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Jonny Edvardsen, The National Library of Norway  
Martin Malmsten, The National Library of Sweden  
Kristin Olsson, The National Library of Sweden  
Per Mogens Petersen, DBC, Denmark  
Tommy Schomacker, DBC, Denmark (minutes)

After the meeting we visited The Royal Library. Grethe Jacobsen, the leader of the legal deposit department, took us on an excellent guided tour and gave insight in current development in the library.

### **1. Opening of the meeting**

Juha Hakala opened the meeting. For practical reasons the order of the items of the agenda was changed.

### **2. Updates of national issues/development**

#### **Norway, Bibsys**

Bibsys has 43 employees. The library system is used by 100 libraries. The system DSpace is used for institutional archiving by 40 libraries.

A new tool is a database for images, photos and drawings. It is the hope that this platform will be used for new applications.

The netportal based on software from OCLC and TDNET is a cumbersome task. The link part requires export of holdings to TDNET.

A market research for a new commercial system is initiated. The technical conclusions will be ready in a few weeks. The decision will be made in July.

The administrative change is still not finished. Up to now the organisation has been preliminary. Different types of formal organisations have been suggested. A conclusion is expected within the next three months.

#### **Norway, The National Library**

The change to MARC 21 has been decided. A report from the Norwegian Library School concludes that the shift not will result in major loss.

The use of NOSP has been free from 1. January 2007. This has resulted in a significant raise in the usage. The platform is planned to be modernised this spring.

It is decided to digitize the whole collection. To a start the easy part – the books (app. 1000 books a week). Then serials, posters etc. The system is Docword (same system as used in Finland)

An agreement is made with two newspapers on using pdf-files instead of microfilm for legal deposit.

Legal problems in internet-harvesting – access for users.

A national union catalogue (and a bibliotek.dk alike) is on the plan.

The national bibliography is moved to a new platform at Bibsys. Special problems for periodicals, where consensus on a common format needs to be established.

## **Sweden**

A major task right now is Libris webbsök. 10-11 persons has been working since November. A modular system architecture is decided.

A new ILL system is planned – web based.

In exchange for upload of records from KB to WorldCat, access by remote search (Z39.50) is established. Very succesfull.

An analyse of the cataloguing process has been made during 2006.

About the survey - in English

[http://www.kb.se/ku/default\\_eng.htm](http://www.kb.se/ku/default_eng.htm)

In Swedish

<http://www.kb.se/ku/default.htm>

The reports (only the Dewey part (summary and conclusions) is translated to English) are in Swedish.

<http://www.kb.se/ku/slutrappporter.htm>

Metalib SFX is implementet. A Shibboleth testinstallation has been set up.

KB is reorganised. Bibsam has got a new name – Natsam. Libris is kept as an organisational unit.

## **Iceland**

Iceland is also working on a new web OPAC. An evaluation has been made.

A new national librarian has been appointed – Ingibjörg Steinunn Sverrisdóttir.

The first upload of records to WorldCat has been made. The agreement with OCLC is not settled 100% yet.

A Z39.50 target for Geignir is established. The Finnish colleagues has been a great help in implementing USEMARCON.

The conference "Back to Basics - and Flying into the Future" was a great success.

## **Denmark**

A reorganisation of DBC has been notified for some time now. The main purpose is to make a total separation of the bibliographic institution (DBC, hosting the union catalogue DanBib and bibliotek.dk, and making the Danish national bibliography) from the media vendor (DBC medier, selling books, music etc to the libraries). DBC medier has made a name shift to Biblioteksmedier, but the separation is not executed yet.

A national service for covers will be established in 2007.

DBC has opened a portal for film – <http://www.filmstriben.dk/>.

## **Finland**

The Database Services and the National Electronic Library Services has been merged into one organisational unit called Library Network Services with 50 employees altogether.

A new law on legal deposit is on the way. Some aspects are  
Negotiations on rights---  
Digitizing newspapers---  
Book images----

Dspace driven open architecture.

Conversion to MARC 21 is going on. Expected to be finished 2010.

It is prescribed in the new ISBN standard that the publishers may send ONIX records to the local ISBN centres. There is an interest in Finland for converting and reusing these records to the national bibliography and the library catalogues.

Library Network Services has from the Ministry of education received money for buying a new server. The operational management is done by the national Supercomputer centre.

## **3. Web OPAC, bibliotek.dk demo and discussion**

New web OPAC's are planned in many of the Nordic countries. A discussion on best practice is therefore most relevant.

Kirsten Larsen gave a presentation and a demo on bibliotek.dk. A number of hot topics were debated. Further information and documentation is found at this site:

<http://www.danbib.dk/>

Most of the text is in Danish, but there is an abbreviated English version too.

## **4. Unique identifiers and resolution services**

Finland, Norway and Sweden are using NBN (National bibliographic number) – a URN-NID. Finland introduced a national resolver one month ago (<http://urn.fi/<urn>>).

Finland has an application resolver based on DIVA software.

In Sweden the DIVA software is used in the Royal Library.

Denmark has made a national standard for using URN – and is now looking into the resolver question.

A working group under TEL has been formed – CNL. There are a number of Internet standards defining URN. The draft specifies how to turn these RFC's into ISO standards, and how to make an international resolver. The Dutch members of CNL have included AAA (authentication, Authorization, Accounting) in the draft.

## 5. Other standardisation themes

Juha gave information on the coming ISO TC 46 meeting. Topics on the meeting will be

- Identifiers (URN, DOI, ISPI, ISCI, ISSN). A new work item on URN is under consideration. ISPI (International Standard Party Identifier) is a French NWI proposal (CISAC). ISCI (International Standard Collection Identifier) is a Finnish initiative.
- RFID – Denmark is project leader for development of an international datamodel for RFID in libraries
- WARC – Web archive format

## 6. SVUC topics

In Denmark the use of Danbib is falling for research libraries and rising for public libraries. Only two other SVUC bases are accessible from netpunkt – Bibsys and Libris. The overall usage of the bases is shown below.

Bibsys	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	Total
2003	0	22	2.404	7.349	9.775
2004	5.325	3.565	2.890	3.977	15.757
2005	3.199	2.513	1.811	2.776	10.299
2006	3.552	3.958	2.732	3.347	13.589

Libris	1. Q	2. Q	3. Q	4. Q	Total
2003	5.379	5.518	7.271	9.028	27.196
2004	6.070	3.763	3.264	4.498	17.595
2005	3.491	2.724	1.926	2.967	11.108
2006	3.832	4.236	3.022	3.524	14.614

In Finland the usage has been rising especially due to public libraries. Copy cataloguing based on records from other Nordic countries is very extensive.

Usage from Baltic countries is rising.

But from a general perspective the usage of SVUC is not satisfactory. Promotion is needed. Juha will work on a draft paper.

Norway and Sweden will analyze the usage.

## 7. Nordbib

The National Library of Finland has formulated a project under work package 3, infrastructure and interoperability: Development of Information Environment Architecture for Nordic Countries.

## **8. Other issues**

TEL – The European Library – originally cooperation on data exchange (like SVUC). But it now also covers a portal. New areas of cooperation are discussed – e.g. resolution services, global authority file.

The TEL office is located in Haag.

## **9. Next meeting**

11 and 12 October 2007 at Libris. A pre meeting for technicians was mentioned.