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Data service: Standardisation of ZDB-ID and ZDB library ID (BIK) notation in February/March 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

For historical reasons, the data resources of the German Union Catalogue of Serials (ZDB)[1] and the ISIL and library codes directory[2] contain approx.

> 90,000 ZDB IDs and
> 400 ZDB library IDs (BIK)

in which the check digit (the last character) is a non-capitalised "x".
All non-capitalised "x" are now to be changed to capital "X", and the implementation of these changes is planned for February/March 2019.

Examples in the ZDB:

> | ZDB-ID: 19-x
> | ZDB-ID: 5-x

Example in ISIL and directory of library codes:

> | ZDB library ID (BIK): 043078-x (Virtual Library; package of electronic resources)
> | ZDB library ID (BIK): 021100-x

Due to the large volume of bibliographic and holdings data affected by the change, delivery will only be effected with the next full copy in March 2019.
In addition, we are considering the provision of an IDN/PPN list of the bibliographic data records affected by the change.

Please review your local systems in good time to establish how capitalisation is/was treated (case sensitivity); it is possible that no non-capitalised "x" are present because they were standardised and converted into capitals on being imported locally.

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[1] http://zdb-katalog.de/?lang=EN
[2] http://sigel.staatsbibliothek-berlin.de/en/startseite/

In the case of bibliographic data, the changed values are entered into the following MARC 21 fields[3]:

MARC field 016 (National Bibliographic Agency Control Number):
        Subfield $a (record control number), value in $2 (source) = "DE-600"

MARC field 035 (system control number):
        Subfield $a with value "(DE-599)ZDB"ID number

MARC linking entry fields 76X – 786X and MARC fields 80X – 830, each subfield $w begins with "(DE-600)"

MARC field 882 Replacement Record Information, subfield $w begins with "(DE-600)"

MARC field 889 Local Replacement Record Information, subfield $w begins with "(DE-600)"

In the holdings data (in addition to MARC field 016 and 035) in:

MARC field 092 Locally Assigned Dewey Call Number:
        $a Library code of holding library

Please note:
All amendments are planned for February/March 2019!
We expect to provide further information on the time at which the changes will be implemented in January 2019.

Further information is available at http://www.dnb.de/dataservicesnews

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[3] http://www.dnb.de/EN/marc21