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# Metadata Services Integrated Authority File (GND): Changes in MARC 21 format for authority data from 26 September 2023 (Export Release 2023.03)

Dear Sir or Madam

We would like to draw your attention to the Export Release 2023.03 of the MARC 21 format for authority data.

Formats are modified in a fixed chronological sequence (release cycle)<sup>1</sup>. We announce these modifications three months beforehand and keep you informed via the Metadata service newsletter<sup>2</sup>.

## 1. Schedule

### 1.1. External test phase

The release planning includes an external test phase. The field description and the test data are published at the beginning of this phase (see section 3). In the following two weeks, the external test phase then allows all data collectors to trial importing the test data and the online standard interface (ONS)<sup>3</sup> with regard to the announced format changes.

For the 2023.03 release, the external test phase is:

| 26 June – 7 July 2023

Please send any feedback (including examples) by 7 July 2023 to [metadatendienste@dnb.de](mailto:metadatendienste@dnb.de).

No further adjustments will be made to the scheduled release once the external test phase has ended. If we receive feedback at a later date, we will examine whether any corrections can be

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<sup>1</sup> <https://wiki.dnb.de/x/wgcbBQ>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.dnb.de/metadatanews>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.dnb.de/EN/ons>

made; such corrections will not be issued any earlier than the following release.  
The test data will be also available for testing the import after the end of the external test phase.

## 1.2. Productive use

The changes will apply from:

- | 26 September 2023 (There maybe disruptions to the interfaces and the Data Shop between 08:00 and 12:00 noon during the technical changeover.)
- | Delivery 39, 2023 of the GND change service<sup>4</sup> expected available 27 September June 2023.

## 2. Format changes

### 2.1. MARC field 510 (See Also From Tracing - Corporate Name) (R): change in the usage of the first indicator

In MARC field 510 (See Also From Tracing – Corporate Name) (R), the usage of the first indicator (1 = jurisdiction name; 2 = name in direct order) has been corrected. In the future, it will be based on the linked record (target record) and no longer on the linking record (source record).

Example in outlines:

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XXXXXnz a22XXXXXnc 4500
001 1259375684
003 DE-101
005 20220805090506.0
008 220608n||aznnaabn | ana |c
024 7_ $a1259375684$0http://d-nb.info/gnd/1259375684$2gnd
...
075 $bu$2gndgen
075 $bwit$2gndspec
079 $ag$qf
110 2_ $aDeutschland$bBundesregierung$tEntwurf eines Gesetzes zur Ergänzung der Regelungen
zur Umsetzung der Digitalisierungsrichtlinie und zur Änderung weiterer Vorschriften
410 2_ $aDeutschland$bBundesregierung$tDiREG$4abku$4https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd#abbreviatedNameForTheWork$wr$iAbkuerzung
510 1_ $0(DE-101)1229882316$0(DE-588)1229882316$0https://d-
nb.info/gnd/1229882316$aDeutschland$bBundesregierung$tEntwurf eines Gesetzes zur
Umsetzung der Digitalisierungsrichtlinie$4vbal$4https://d-
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<sup>4</sup> <https://www.dnb.de/gndchangeservice>

### 3. Further information and test data

The official Library of Congress documentation of the fields described can be found at <https://www.loc.gov/marc/authority>.

The full description of authority data fields is available in PDF and Excel versions at <https://www.dnb.de/EN/marc21>.

In order to provide a brief overview of the changes made since publication of the previous concordance, all changes to the previous version are given on the first pages of the current field description in the PDF versions in each case.

A sample file containing metadata with the announced changes will be made available in the following days in MARC 21 and MARC21-xml formats with the file name "GNDTestRelease2023\_03" under <https://data.dnb.de/testdat>.

### 4. Unconfirmed advance information about the next but one release

Please note that this advance information on possible future changes is, by its nature, incomplete; changes may also be postponed to a later release<sup>5</sup> or shelved entirely. Similarly, there may also be further major changes to the content. Please refer to the release announcement to be published in November 2023 (which will go into productive use in February 2024) for information on the specific points to be implemented.

For the next but one release in February 2024, no changes are being planned at the moment.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to mail us at [metadatendienste@dnb.de](mailto:metadatendienste@dnb.de).

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<sup>5</sup> <https://wiki.dnb.de/x/wgcbBQ>