

Report to ISO TC46/SC4 – meeting June 2013**ISIL Registration Authority (ISO 15511).**

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Danish Agency for Culture is Registration Authority for ISO 15511 Information and documentation -International Standard Identifier for Libraries and Related Organizations (ISIL).

The ISIL/RA maintains the list of agencies and advice possible future agencies. The purpose of ISIL is to define and promote the use of a set of standard identifiers for the unique identification of libraries and related organizations with a minimum impact on already existing systems. A national or institutional agency assigns the specific identifier for a library or an organization. Libraries and other institutions have to contact an agency to get an ISIL standard identifier.

An ISIL identifies an organization, i.e., a library or a related organization, or one of its subordinate units, which is responsible for an action or service in a bibliographic environment (e.g. creation of machine-readable information). It can be used to identify the originator or holder of a resource (e.g. library material). The ISIL is intended for use by libraries, archives, museums, and agencies doing business with these, such as suppliers and publishers. An ISIL identifies at a global level an organization, or one of its subordinate units, throughout its life. The first part of an ISIL is the two letter country code or a non-country code (one, three, or four characters in length).

April 2012 25 countries have assigned national ISIL agencies:

- AR Argentine Republic: Argentine Standardization and Certification Institute (IRAM)
- AT Austria: Die Österreichische Bibliothekenverbund und Service GmbH
- AU Australia: National Library of Australia
- BE Belgium: Royal Library of Belgium
- BY Belarus: National Library of Belarus
- CA Canada: Library and Archives Canada
- CH Switzerland: Swiss National Library
- CY Cyprus: Cyprus University of Technology - Library
- DE Germany: Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin
- DK Denmark: Danish Agency for Culture
- EG Egypt: Egyptian National Scientific and Technical Information Network
- FI Finland: The National Library of Finland
- FR France: Agence Bibliographique de l'Enseignement Supérieur
- GB United Kingdom: British Library

GL Greenland: Central and Public Library of Greenland
IL Israel: National Library of Israel
IR Islamic Republic of Iran: National Library of Iran
IT Italy: Istituto Centrale per il Catalogo Unico delle biblioteche italiane e per le informazioni bibliografiche
JP Japan: National Diet Library
KR Republic of Korea: The National Library of Korea
LU Luxembourg: Archives nationales de Luxembourg
NL The Netherlands: Koninklijke Bibliotheek
NO Norway: National Library of Norway
NZ New Zealand: National Library of New Zealand Te Puna Mataranga o Aotearoa
RU Russian Federation Russian: National Public Library for Science and Technology
SI The Republic of Slovenia: National and University Library

And two non-national ISIL agencies:

OCLC WorldCat Symbol: OCLC (with O as code for technical encoding in e.g. RFID tags)
ZDB Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin: Zeitschriftendatenbank Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin

One agency is added since last years report: Luxembourg: Archives nationales de Luxembourg.

Assignments of ISIL Agencies are in preparation with Library of Congress for US national agency and M for non-national ISIL Agency for libraries outside US.

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