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EDItEUR update
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Thema

- *Thema* version 1.3 was published April 2018
- *Thema* version 1.4 planned for publication April 2020
  - v 1.4 working group meeting every 2 weeks
  - new code proposals from different national groups, users, members etc
  - suggested modifications to improve comprehension
- new translations since October 2018
  - Dutch, Czech and Slovak, plus two language variant versions for Flemish and Canadian French
  - fully revised and updated Japanese version
- new user groups from Brazil and India
EDItX

- updated EDItX Inventory report (October 2018) – now suitable for digital inventory too
  - testing and use increasing
- updated Sales and Sales Tax report
  - enhanced pricing model to match ONIX
- Order and Order response messages, Order status and Response being updated (new XSD in testing now, documentation in preparation)
ONIX 3.0

- changed tenor of conversation in US and elsewhere, as major retailers including Amazon now proactively seeking ONIX 3.0 rather than 2.1

- almost all large US publishers delivering or testing ONIX 3.0
- interest in ONIX from India, Latin America and elsewhere also increasing

- ‘strict’ XSD now suitable for production use
  - most valuable in commissioning new systems and onboarding new vendors
  - will not replace ‘classic’ XSD, but is a recommended alternative

- codelist maintenance continues as normal
  - includes improving alignment of List 196 with EPUB Accessibility Standard
ONIX

- ONIX v3.0.5 and v3.0.6 published during last 12 months
  - added minor functionality updates, including chapter-level metadata for audio, battery safety statements (mostly for children’s products)
  - maintains full back compatibility – all additions entirely optional
- ONIX 3.0.7 to be proposed to National Groups here at Frankfurt tomorrow
  - adds long-awaited ‘promotional event’ functionality
- next development aims to deliver a ‘production manifest’ block for use in POD, digital audio and e-book supply chains
  - working group to be set up to define details of proposals
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