



ONIX for Books International Steering Committee

ONIX for Books Technical Committee: Terms of Reference

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The EDItEUR secretariat has determined a potential requirement to establish a technical committee to support the continuing development of ONIX for Books. This technical committee will not affect the existing governance structures (the International Steering Committee and the National Groups). These bodies will remain solely responsible for determining the business requirements for ONIX for Books developments and for confirming that those requirements have been met in any new release of the format or new issue of the code lists. The function of the new committee is to assist EDItEUR's staff and consultants in finding the best technical approaches to meeting those requirements.

1. Members of the Technical Committee will be appointed on the basis of their personal expertise and not as representatives of any particular interest group or constituency.
2. National Groups are encouraged to nominate potential members to the technical committee but their acceptance onto the committee is dependent on their willingness and ability to contribute to the technical aspects of the development of ONIX for Books.
3. The role of the Technical Committee will be advisory. EDItEUR staff and consultants will take the Committee's advice into account, but will remain responsible for technical decisions taken in the development of the ONIX for Books standard.
4. The committee will undertake its deliberations by phone conference and by email.
5. The committee will be chaired by a member of the EDItEUR secretariat or by a consultant appointed by the EDItEUR secretariat.
6. Membership of the committee will be at the discretion of the Executive Director of EDItEUR, in consultation with the chair of the Technical Committee and the International Steering Committee.