



AMA-WG - Working Group on Access to Music Archives

The general aim of AMA project is the registration of music archives, but now the work is being concentrated in listing institutions with music archival holdings, updating the data from the already published RISM-C to create a new online directory of music libraries. That directory, useful both for RISM and for IAML will be started with the information of European countries. The current information will be extended to include information on archives. This year 2016 the work of the group is in the middle of three year's period.

Since the last Congress of New York, we have been working with RISM Zentralredaktion in Frankfurt, who will act as database administrator, in two directions: to analyze the fields and its contents to ensure the compatibility with fields of MARC Authorities format; and to establish Guidelines for the Directory of Music Repositories of RISM-C/AMA to be used by the contributors in each country.

Those Guidelines will be up to use in the autumn 2016, so we hope to be able to offer a short presentations of the updates of the Directory in some European countries in the Riga Congress of IAML in 2017.

AMA-WG has to change in a new body, probably a permanent one, to be adapted to the new organizational structure of IAML. More than limited to the registration, the group aims to encourage the problematic of music archives promoting their visibility.

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