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Editorial changes to terms in the DCTERMS Namespace

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Changes to Refinement: conformsTo

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/conformsTo>
- Current Label: Conforms To
- Current Definition: A reference to an established standard to which the resource conforms.
- Current Comment: None.
- Problem: The use of "A reference to" in the definition is problematic.
- Proposed definition: ""An established standard to which the resource conforms.""
- Proposed comment: [Unchanged] None.

Changes to Syntax Encoding Scheme: URI

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/uri>
- Current Label: URI

- Current "See" reference: <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc/2396.txt>
- Problem: RFC 2396 ("Uniform Resource Identifiers: Generic Syntax") has been superseded by RFC 3986.
- Proposed "See" reference: <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc/3986.txt>

Changes to Refinement: Alternative

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/alternative>
- Current Label: Alternative
- Current Definition: Any form of the title used as a substitute or alternative to the formal title of the resource.
- Current Comment: This qualifier can include Title abbreviations as well as translations.
- Problem: The property definition refers to the notion of an "alternative title", so it should be labeled as such. The comment refers to a "qualifier", using terminology that is no longer consistent with the DCMI Abstract Model as of 2005.
- Proposed Label: Alternative Title
- Proposed Definition: An alternative name for the resource.
- Proposed Comment: The distinction between titles and alternative titles is application-specific.

Changes to Refinement: Created

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/created>
- Current Label: Created
- Current Definition: Date of creation of the resource.
- Current Comment: none
- Problem: Later Date refinements have included "Date" in the Label, and this form is now preferred.
- Proposed Label: Date Created
- Proposed Comment: [unchanged] none

Changes to Refinement: Valid

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/valid>
- Current Label: Valid
- Current Definition: Date (often a range) of validity of a resource.
- Current Comment: none
- Problem: Later Date refinements have included "Date" in the Label, and this form is now preferred.
- Proposed Label: Date Valid
- Proposed Comment: [unchanged] none

Changes to Refinement: Available

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/available>
- Current Label: Available
- Current Definition: Date (often a range) that the resource will become or did become available.
- Current Comment: none

- Problem: Later Date refinements have included "Date" in the Label, and this form is now preferred.
- Proposed Label: Date Available
- Proposed Comment: [unchanged] none

Changes to Refinement: Issued

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/issued>
- Current Label: Issued
- Current Definition: Date of formal issuance (e.g., publication) of the resource.
- Current Comment: none
- Problem: Later Date refinements have included "Date" in the Label, and this form is now preferred.
- Proposed Label: Date Issued
- Proposed Comment: [unchanged] none

Changes to Refinement: Modified

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/modified>
- Current Label: Modified
- Current Definition: Date on which the resource was changed.
- Current Comment: none
- Problem: Later Date refinements have included "Date" in the Label, and this form is now preferred.
- Proposed Label: Date Modified
- Proposed Comment: [unchanged] none

Changes to Encoding Scheme: DDC

- URI: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/DDC>
- Current "See": <http://www.oclc.org/dewey/index.htm>
- Problem: 404 not found
- Proposed "See": <http://www.oclc.org/dewey/>