

# Alternative entity types

**Schema:** EAC-CPF 2.0

**Context:** Encoding alternative types of agent being described in an EAC-CPF instance

**Description:** Next to `<entityType>`, EAC-CPF also includes the element `<otherEntityType>`. With `<otherEntityType>` it is possible e.g. to provide translations or specifications of the default values used in `<entityType>` or to include related agent types from other standards such as Records in Contexts (RiC). Similar to the plural and singular elements used in the `<description>` section (f.i. `<functions>` and `<function>` or `<occupations>` and `<occupation>`), `<otherEntityType>` is used within a wrapper element `<otherEntityTypes>` that also allows for a `<descriptiveNote>` to be included to add details with regard to the alternative entity types given.

`<otherEntityType>` itself allows for the three vocabulary attributes (@valueURI, @vocabularySource, @vocabularySourceURI) and hence enables the connection to external vocabularies for the alternative agent type provided in `<otherEntityType><term>`. Same as all other singular elements, `<otherEntityType>` also comes with the optional sub-elements for date and place encoding, so that the alternative agent type can be bound to a specific timespan or location with regard to its use or applicability. This might e.g. be useful when a corporate body has changed its legal form over time and one would want to already emphasize this fact in the `<identity>` section, next to a potential use of `<legalStatus>` within the `<description>` section.

## Examples

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<control>
  [...]
  <localTypeDeclaration id="termType" target="termTypeLocal">
    <reference>Types of terms</reference>
  </localTypeDeclaration>
  <localControl id="termTypeLocal">
    <term>translation</term>
    <term>specification</term>
    <term>relatedStandard</term>
  </localControl>
</control>
<cpfDescription>
  <identity>
    <entityType value="corporateBody"/>
    <nameEntry status="authorized" languageOfElement="de">
      <part>ICARus – Internationales Zentrum für
Archivforschung</part>
    </nameEntry>
    <nameEntry status="authorized" languageOfElement="en-gb">
      <part>ICARus – International Centre for Archival
Research</part>
    </nameEntry>
    <otherEntityTypes>
      <otherEntityType localType="translation"
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localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://d-nb.info/gnd/4128521-9"
vocabularySource="GND">
  <term language Of Element="de">Körperschaft</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://d-nb.info/gnd/4043774-7"
vocabularySource="GND">
  <term languageOfElement="de">Organisation</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://data.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/cb11951020r"
vocabularySource="RAMEAU">
  <term languageOfElement="fr">Organisation</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://d-nb.info/gnd/4293729-2"
vocabularySource="GND">
  <term languageOfElement="de">Nonprofit-Organisation</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://data.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/cb119498393"
vocabularySource="RAMEAU">
  <term languageOfElement="fr">Associations sans but
lucratif</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://d-nb.info/gnd/4062714-7"
vocabularySource="GND">
  <term languageOfElement="de">Verein</term>
</otherEntityType>
<otherEntityType localType="specification"
localTypeDeclarationReference="termType"
  valueURI="https://data.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/cb13318322c"
vocabularySource="RAMEAU">
  <term languageOfElement="fr">Associations</term>
</otherEntityType>
</otherEntityTypes>
</identity>
</cpfDescription>

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<control>
  [...]
  <localTypeDeclaration id="GND0">
    <reference href="https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd">Gemeinsame Normdatei

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    Ontology</reference>
    <shortCode>GND0</shortCode>
  </localTypeDeclaration>
  <localTypeDeclaration id="termType" target="termTypeLocal">
    <reference>Types of terms</reference>
  </localTypeDeclaration>
  <localControl id="termTypeLocal">
    <term>translation</term>
    <term>specification</term>
    <term>relatedStandard</term>
  </localControl>
</control>
<cpfDescription>
  <identity>
    <entityType value="person"/>
    <nameEntry status="authorized">
      <part localType="https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd#personalName"
        localTypeDeclarationReference="GND0">Gustaf IV Adolf</part>
      <part localType="https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd#nameAddition"
        localTypeDeclarationReference="GND0">Kung av Sverige</part>
    </nameEntry>
    <otherEntityTypes>
      <otherEntityType
        valueURI="https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd#RoyalOrMemberOfARoyalHouse"
        vocabularySource="GND0"
        vocabularySourceURI="https://d-
nb.info/standards/elementset/gnd#"
        localType="specification"
        localTypeDeclarationReference="termType">
          <term languageOfElement="ger">Regierender Fürst oder
Mitglied eines regierenden
Fürstenhauses</term>
        </otherEntityType>
      </otherEntityTypes>
    </identity>
  </cpfDescription>

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<control>
  [...]
  <localTypeDeclaration id="MARC21_MainEntry_PersonalName">
    <reference
href="https://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/bd100.html">MARC 21
Bibliographic
      Full 100 – Main Entry–Personal Name (NR)</reference>
    <shortCode>MARC 21</shortCode>
  </localTypeDeclaration>
</control>
<cpfDescription>

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<identity>
  <entityType value="family"/>
  <nameEntry status="authorized">
    <part localType="100$a">Mozart</part>
    <part localType="100$c">Familie : 17.-19. Jh.</part>
  </nameEntry>
  <otherEntityTypes>
    <otherEntityType languageOfElement="eng"
      valueURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/ontology#Agent"
vocabularySource="RiC-0"

vocabularySourceURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/ontology">
  <term>Agent</term>
  </otherEntityType>
  <otherEntityType languageOfElement="eng"
    valueURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/RiC-0_v0-
2.html#Group"
    vocabularySource="RiC-0"

vocabularySourceURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/ontology">
  <term>Group</term>
  </otherEntityType>
  <otherEntityType languageOfElement="eng"
    valueURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/RiC-0_v0-
2.html#Family"
    vocabularySource="RiC-0"

vocabularySourceURI="https://www.ica.org/standards/RiC/ontology">
  <term>Family</term>
  </otherEntityType>
</otherEntityTypes>
</identity>
</cpfDescription>
```