Proposed collaboration regarding the National census/catalogue of Italian sixteenth-century editions (EDIT16)

between

the Central Institute for the Union Catalogue of Italian libraries and bibliographic information (ICCU)

and

University of Manchester Library

1. Background

The Central Institute for the Union Catalogue of Italian libraries and bibliographic information (ICCU) is responsible for the census/catalogue of Italian sixteenth-century editions (EDIT16). Such bibliography is meant to document the production and dissemination of Italian printed books, i.e. books and pamphlets printed in Italy in any language, and in Italian in foreign countries, from 1501 to 1600. The database currently comprises over 1.570 libraries in Italy, including public libraries and libraries of local administrations, universities, schools, cultural and research institutes, as well as private, ecclesiastical or extraterritorial libraries, such as the Vatican Library; and only two foreign libraries to date.

2. Agreement

The ICCU proposes the University of Manchester Library (incorporating the John Rylands Library and hereafter the Library), which holds a relevant number of sixteenth-century Italian editions, to join EDIT16 and provide additional bibliographic information in regard to such editions according to the EDIT16 description template.

3. Partners' duties

The Library undertakes to:

3.1 allow facilities to researchers or interns designated by the ICCU in agreement with the Library for accessing sixteenth-century Italian books and relevant bibliographic reference tools;

3.2 allow the aforementioned researchers or interns to submit to the ICCU updates on EDIT16 records, either related to bibliographic description or to individual copies (incomplete copies, etc.);

3.3 occasionally provide the reproduction of images of pages which are especially significant in order to improve bibliographic records (title pages, colophons, printers' devices, etc.) for exceptionally rare editions and send them to the ICCU;

3.4 allow the ICCU to include and display on EDIT16 records relevant images of copies held in the Library and links to digital copies available on the Library website.
The ICCU undertakes to:

3.5 display a reference to the Library online catalogue on each relevant EDIT16 record;

3.6 include and display on EDIT16 records relevant images of copies held in the Library and links to digital copies available on the Library website;

3.7 acknowledge copyright for images of copies held in the Library included in EDIT16 records;

3.8 provide additional relevant information on editions or variants whose copies are held in the Library, which might result from further research undertaken by the ICCU.

The Library may use the data provided by the aforementioned researchers or interns, or by the ICCU, to improve its own catalogue records.

The work will be overseen by a senior manager in each institution.

The co-operation will be free of charge and no money will be granted by either party to the other.

Rome and Manchester, 18 December 2018

Signed on behalf of the parties:

For the ICCU: the Director Simonetta Buttò

For the University of Manchester Library: SIMON RAiNS INTERIM UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN AND DIRECTOR OF THE JOHN LEYLANDS LIBRARY