Table of Replies for ISO TC46/SC4 New Work Item Proposal
Title: A Conceptual Reference Model for the Interchange of Cultural Heritage Information
Reference document: SC4 n478, n480
Ballot period: 2000-06-26--2000-09-26

P-Members of TC46/SC4	Agree to WI	Agree to scope	Agree to target date	Will participate	Submit as CD/DIS
1. Australia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes
2. Canada	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/---
3. Czech Republic	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/No
4. Denmark	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes/Yes
5. Finland					
6. France	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	---/Yes
7. Germany	Yes	Yes	Yes	Maybe	Yes/No
8. Hungary					
9. Iran					
10. Italy	Abstain				
11. Japan	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes/---
12. Kenya					
13. Korea					
14. Mongolia					
15. Norway	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes/No
16. Russian Federation	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes/---
17. South Africa	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	---/Yes
18. Ukraine					
19. United States	Yes	Yes		Yes	---/Yes

TOTALS: 11   11   10-Yes   6-Yes   8 -
CD   1-Yes
                                        1 -No   4-No   5 -
Yes: DIS   8-No
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No: DIS

Comments from SC4 members:

France
It seems important to deal with this model in connection with other models relevant to the field of information sciences:
The FRBR entity-relationship model, developed by IFLA, published by Saur in 1998 and available at:
http://www.ifla.org/VII/s13/frbr/frbr.pdf or
http://www.ifla.org/VII/s13/frbr/frbr.htm

The model elaborated on the basis of FRBR by the Dublin Core and INDECS/DOI communities and introduced by David Bearman, Godfrey Rust, Stuart Weibel, et al., in D-Lib magazine, vol. 5, no. 1, January 1999: "A common model to support interoperable metadata" available at:
http://www.dlib.org/dlib/january99/bearman/01bearman.html

The BC model elaborated by the Anglo-American-Australian project Harmony, which aims at an interoperability of other models such as CRM, FRBR, the INDECS model, etc., and which was introduced by Dan Brickley, Jane Hunter, and Carl Lagoze at:
http://www.ilrt.bris.ac.uk/discovery/harmony/docs/abc/abc_draft.html

It should be noticed that in April 2000 Nicholas Crofts was present at the ELAG Conference (European Library Automation Group) in Paris and proposed to work on the feasibility of merging together FRBR and CRM.

Comments from SC4 Secretariat:
This new work item is approved.
The document will be balloted first at the CD-level.
Mr. Nicholas Crofts will serve as the Working Group convenor. Mr. Crofts will be contacting national experts shortly concerning the arrangements for a first meeting.