

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
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**Subject:** 2.15.1.4, Optional Addition

Thanks to BL for raising the issue of recording identifiers. We do not agree to the proposed revision. The proposed examples intended to illustrate different identifiers from the same source of information are already present (e.g., second example at Optional Addition at 2.15.1.5; all three examples in the first example block at 2.15.1.7).

As to the Optional Addition, we note that the other relationships shown at 24.4.1 (related work, related expression, and related item) also do not have reciprocal links, so we wouldn't expect such a link for related manifestations. The first example box at 27.1.1.3 already shows 2 examples of using an identifier for a manifestation to illustrate that technique for relating manifestations.

Additional note: According to BISG Policy Statement POL-1101, December 7, 2011, "ISBNs for Digital Books should be labeled "ISBN", not "eISBN." There is no such standard as an "eISBN", not is this the proper way to differentiate Digital Book formats." The head of the U.S. ISSN Center confirms the same for ISSNs.