

## Exploring Pathways to RiC Implementation

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Records in Context (RiC) is an emerging contextual framework from the International Council on Archives focusing on "identifying and describing records, the agents that created, used, or are documented in them, and the activities pursued by the agents that the records both facilitate and document." Designed to unify the four existing ICA standards (ISAD(G), ISAAR(CPF), ISDF, and ISDIAH) into a single descriptive model, the RiC standard also includes a companion RiC-based ontology for structuring metadata for archival resources. What implications would adoption of the RiC model have for existing archival description and content management systems? How easily could archival metadata be converted to RiC?

This presentation describes the early research efforts of an informal group of North American archivists exploring the practical implications of RiC adoption, particularly the lessons learned from converting existing finding aid metadata to RiC and questions for future exploration.

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