

June 2018 Update

News from the Operations Committee

Outreach: Daniel Pitti presented on SNAC in Madrid, Spain, at the State Archives, on May 25, 2018. The State Archives in Spain would like to contribute data to and align with SNAC. Currently they are implementing the Spanish archival description conceptual model (NEDA-MC: Modelo conceptual de descripción archivística) in the archival catalog PARES. While PARES is still under development, it is well worth a [look](#). Currently colleagues in Spain are consulting the SNAC APIs as development of PARES continues.

Also while in Spain, Daniel attended a meeting of the Archives Portal Europe Foundation (APEF), in Seville. Among other topics discussed, was the potential for APEF to collaborate with SNAC. While APEF does not yet have a large number of EAC-CPF descriptions, it does have descriptions of several thousand archives in Europe, with many of them linked to EAD-encoded descriptions of archival records.

General Updates from Working Groups

Communications

The group is continuing to finalize the SNAC public-facing “About” web page as well as the official SNAC PowerPoint presentation, which it intends to submit to the Operations Committee within the next couple of weeks for review.

SNACSchool

SNACSchool Working Group members continue to update and improve all training materials for future training events. We are also working with the SNAC Tech Team developers to test new functionality for source citations and resource management in SNAC-dev.

Technology Infrastructure:

Over the past month, the TIWG members have continued to refine a mapping document that illustrates the differences between EAC-CPF, the SNAC JSON data model, and the ArchivesSpace JSON data model for agent records: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xUFwul4maRrDGzx_S4JGGoAwkLYzrbpOLIfjaaiwrlM/edit?usp=sharing. Additionally, the working group started to test the “SNAC EAC Parser,” developed by Robbie Hott, which is a stand-alone tool that can both validate EAC files against a Schematron file and also demonstrate how SNAC will interpret an EAC record.

Requests for Feedback

Will you join us?

Kindly let us know by **Friday, June 22** whether you will attend the SNAC Cooperative meeting in Washington, DC by filling out this brief [form](#). Your responses will inform the meeting agenda and catering needs.

SNACSchool:

The next SNACSchool event will be Wednesday, August 15, 2018, 9 a.m-4 p.m., at the Library of Congress Adams Building computer lab. Training materials and logistical details will develop during June and July, and the SNACSchool team will distribute all required materials well ahead of the event. Anyone interested in SNACSchool training should contact [Jerry Simmons](#) to reserve a seat before August 1st. Space is limited, so please plan accordingly.

Other Announcements

Technology Development Updates:

We have a lot of new features that just came available on [snaccooperative.org](#), including searching for and editing Resources. We also made it easier to find holding repositories from the edit page, changed the look of the Browse page, simplified SCMs into Cites, and more. Additional technical updates coming in the next few weeks.

Beta Testers Wanted!

Want to try out new SNAC editing interface features before they're publicly available? Join our beta testing group and test out the new features listed on the [development wiki](#). Contact [Iris Lee](#) to get started.