Enhancing inclusivity: a comparative study of subject headings on gender and sexuality in national libraries

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IMPORTANCE OF INCLUSIVE SUBJECT HEADINGS



Enhanced accessibility

Subject headings play a crucial role in how we organize and find information



Reflecting diversity

Libraries should be mirrors of the diverse society we live in

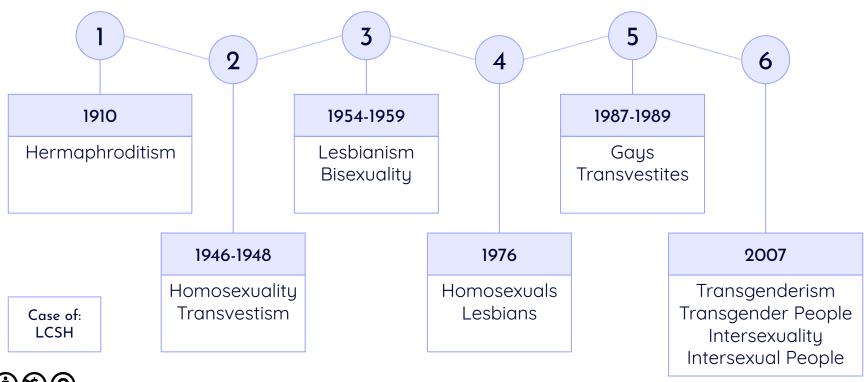


User-centric approach

Key to creating subject headings that truly serve everyone

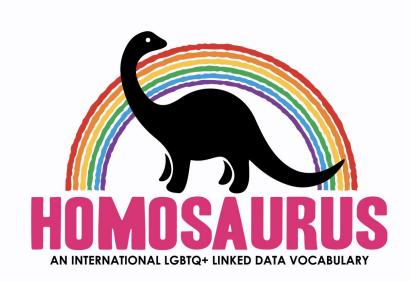


HISTORICAL EVOLUTION





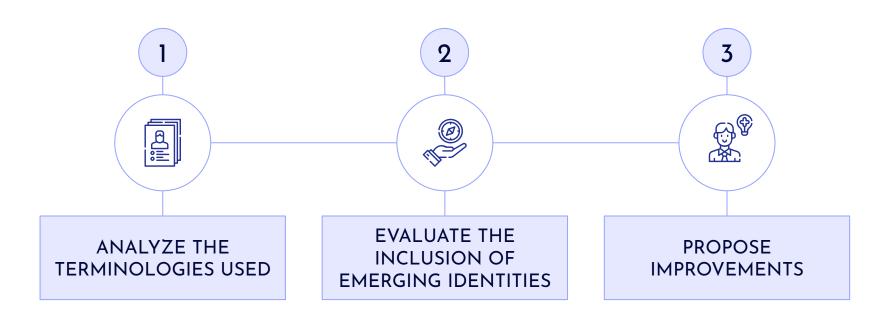
CALLS FOR TRANSFORMATION AND ALTERNATIVES



Call for the transformation of existing cataloging systems, embracing queer theories, indigenous perspectives, and challenging colonial biases.

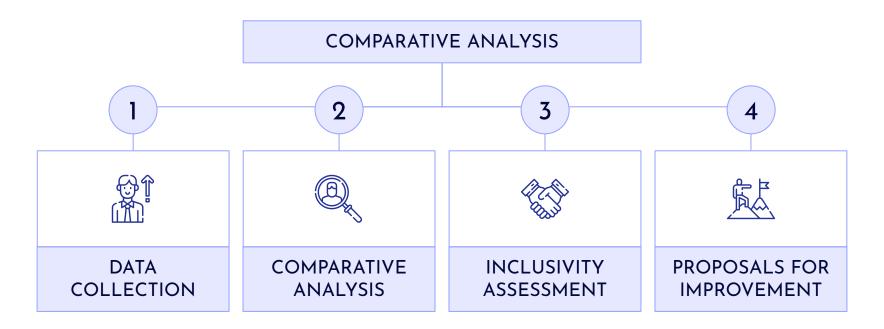


MAIN OBJECTIVES





METHODOLOGY





METHODOLOGY - NATIONAL LIBRARIES

HOMOSAURUS

Library and Archives Canada

Canadian Subject Headings

Library of Congress

Library of Congress Subject Headings



DNB Professional

Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale di Firenze

Nuovo soggettario

National Library of Portugal

SIPORbase

Biblioteca Nacional de España

Encabezamientos de Materia

Biblioteca Nacional de Catalunya

LEMAC



PRELIMINARY RESULTS

ONGOING PROJECT

EXACT MATCH / SIMILAR MATCH / NO MATCH

Homosaurus	LOC	LAC	NLP	BNE	BNC	BNCF	GNL
Bisexuality	Match	Match	Similar match	Match	Match	Match	Match

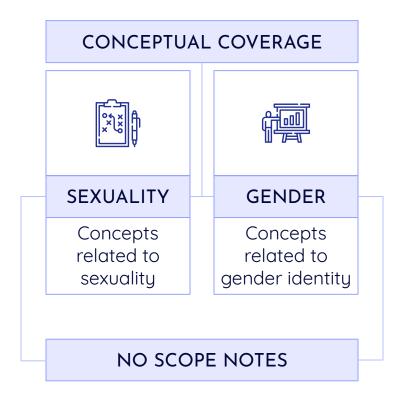


National Library of Portugal

Bissexualidade masculina

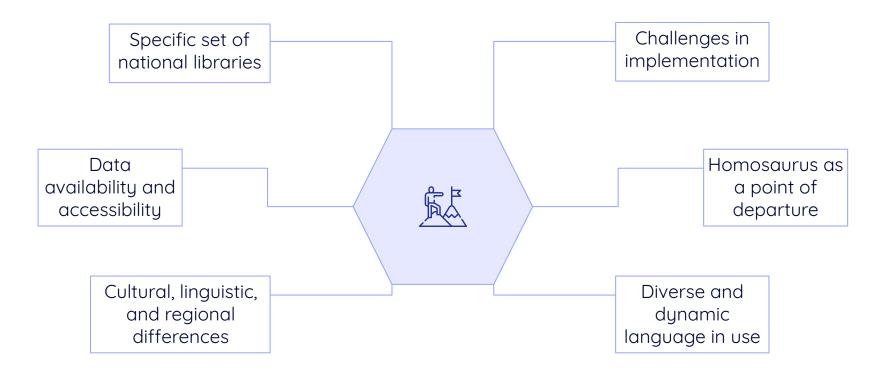


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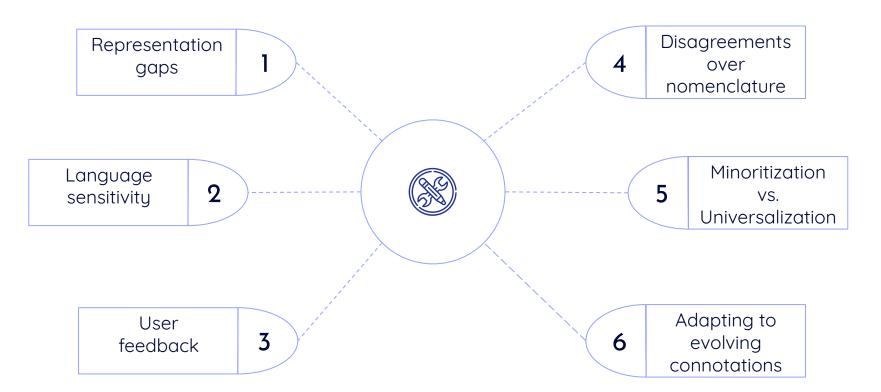


LIMITATIONS



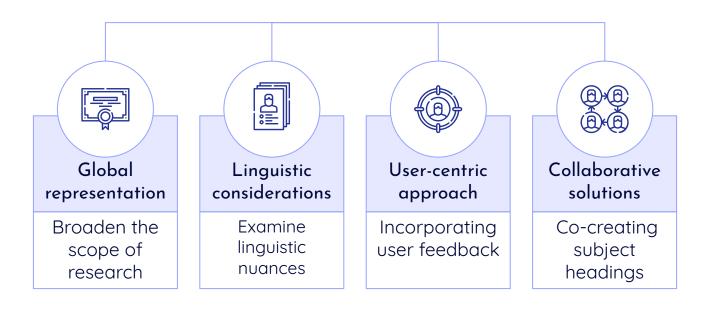


CURRENT CHALLENGES IN SUBJECT HEADINGS





FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS





Libraries should be the beating heart of inclusivity, where every reader can find a reflection of their identity and every voice can contribute to the collective narrative.

