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Conferences in The Integrated Authority File (GND) – Development, Rules and Identifiers



The Integrated Authority File

Die Gemeinsame Normdatei – GND

- **Authority** file, based on standards
- Primarily used for cataloguing resources of libraries (alphabetical cataloguing and subject cataloguing)
- Operating since **2012**
- Cooperatively managed
- CC0-Licence
- Format for data exchange: [MARC 21 Authority](#)
- More information: <https://gnd.network/Web/gnd/EN>



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Die Gemeinsame Normdatei – GND - History

emerged from four different library authority files
covered a time span from about 40 years; parallel authority records in the files

GKD

*1973

GKD – **Gemeinsame Körperschaftsdatei**

Content: corporate bodies, places (= jurisdictions), conferences

DMA-
EST

*1984

EST –
Einheitsachtiteldatei des Deutschen Musikarchivs

Content: uniform titles of music

SWD

*1986

SWD –
Schlagwortnormdatei

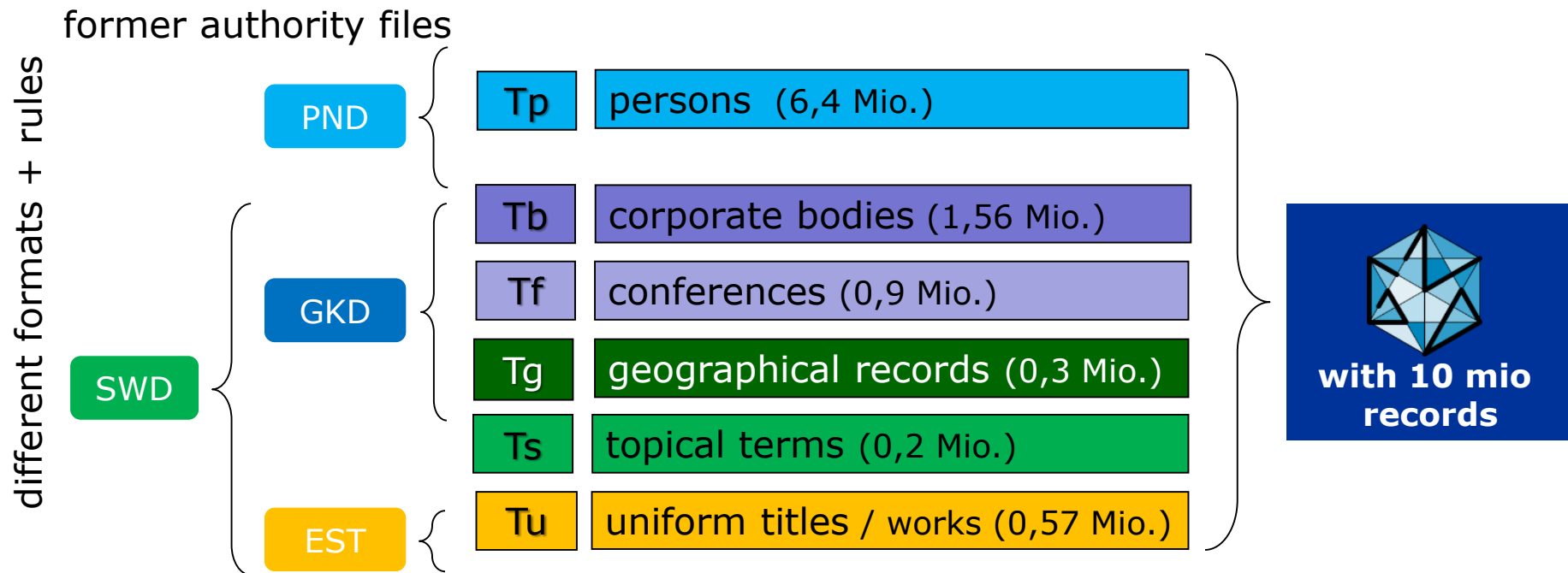
Content: topical terms, persons, corporate bodies, places (geographical records), conferences, uniform titles

PND

*1994

PND – **Personennamendatei** Content: persons, families

GND Records – six types and their origin



Overview of the authority records of GND

via <https://explore.gnd.network/en/search>

RECORD TYPE		^
	Person (6,450,506)	x
	Corporate body (1,560,609)	x
	Event (903,726)	x
	Work (577,055)	x
	Geographic unit (255,487)	x
	Subject heading (205,518)	x
	Building (76,953)	x

official [statistics](#)

type of record	number	remark
persons (Tp)	6.453.203	
corporate bodies (Tb)	1.561.028	
conferences (Tf)	903.874	
uniform titles / works (Tu)	577.441	
geographical records (Tg)	332.576	thereof: 77.023 buildings
topical headings (Ts)	206.550	

State: 2nd May 2025, WinIBW query



Conferences in GND



FRANKFURTER
BUCHMESSE

Von Autor/-in unbekannt - Vektordaten:
<http://medienarchiv.buchmesse.de/download.do?documentId=26511&format=9> (EPS)Farbinfo:
http://www.book-fair.com/img/fbm_logo_small-neu.png, Gemeinfrei,
<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=34748638>



Von Theater Augsburg - Website des Theaters Augsburg, Gemeinfrei,
<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=48481708>

BAYERISCHE
THEATERTAGE



Von Carter Wong Design - en:File:F1 logo.svg, Logo,
https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:F1_logo.svg, Gemeinfrei,
<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=1692238>

*... and many others like
conferences of physicians,
symposia, international
conferences ...*

R Theater
Regensburg



Von Theater Regensburg - Website der Bayerischen Theatertage, Gemeinfrei,
<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=48481695>

<https://d-nb.info/gnd/1099961874>



When will conference records be registered?

-> only if actually needed

two use cases:

A conference is creator or editor of a resource which is listed in a library catalogue.

A conference is subject of a publication.

No systematic registration of conferences in the GND!



How are conferences registered in the GND?

According to a cataloguing standard for libraries:
RDA (Resource Description and Access)

Most important rules:

Conference series and single conferences are distinguished.

A preferred name will be determined and variant names added.

Numbering, year, and city are part of the access points of single conferences.

Documentation of rules: [RDA-DACH](#), [EH-K-08](#) (in German only)



Access to GND

provided by the German National Library (Deutsche Nationalbibliothek, DNB)

Internal: WinIBW-Client (central GND)

DNB-Portal: portal.dnb.de/

GND Explorer: <https://explore.gnd.network>

by others

WebGND (Eurospider): <http://gnd.eurospider.com/s>

OGND (BSZ): <https://www.bsz-bw.de/ognd.html>

lobid-gnd (hbz): <https://lobid.org/gnd>

further information

https://gnd.network/Webs/gnd/DE/Entdecken/entdecken_node.html



Examples - WinIBW

GND-ID
persistent

005 Tf1

006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/2003377-1>

008 vif

vif = code for conference serie

011 f;s

035 gnd/2003377-1

043 XA-DE-HE;XA-DE;XP

065 2.2

111 **Frankfurter Buchmesse**

field 111 = preferred name

variant
names

411 Foire du Livre\$gFrankfurt am Main

411 Fiera del Libro\$gFrankfurt am Main

411 Book Fair\$gFrankfurt am Main

411 Buchmesse\$gFrankfurt am Main

411 Frankfurt Book Fair

411 Foire du livre de Francfort

550 [!041468244!](https://d-nb.info/gnd/041468244)Buchmesse [Ts1]\$4obin

551 [!040181189!](https://d-nb.info/gnd/040181189)Frankfurt am Main [Tg1]\$4ortv

551 [!040247295!](https://d-nb.info/gnd/040247295)Hessen [Tg1]\$4geow

source

670 Homepage\$u<http://www.buchmesse.de>

680 Zusammenfassende Bezeichnung für die Veranstaltungsreihe; einzelne Veranstaltungen erhalten eigene Datensätze.

903 \$eDE-1

903 \$rDE-1

responsible cataloguing agency (ISIL)

former
authority files

913 \$Sgkd\$ia\$aFrankfurter Buchmesse\$02003377-1

913 \$Sswd\$ic\$aFrankfurt am Main / Frankfurter Buchmesse\$04050605-8

record via GND-Explorer

<https://explore.gnd.network/gnd/2003377-1>



Examples - WinIBW

GND-ID
persistent

005 Tf1

006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/1244239046>

008 vie

011 s

035 gnd/1244239046

040 \$erda

043 XA-DE-HE

065 2.2

preferred
name

111 Frankfurter Buchmesse\$**n**73.\$**d**2021\$**c**Frankfurt am Main

variant
names

411 Buchmesse\$**n**73.\$**d**2021\$**c**Frankfurt am Main

411 Frankfurt Book Fair\$**n**73.\$**d**2021\$**c**Frankfurt am Main

411 Book Fair\$**n**73.\$**d**2021\$**c**Frankfurt am Main

411 fbm21

511 [!004639634!](http://d-nb.info/gnd/004639634)Frankfurter Buchmesse [Tf1]\$**4**obpa

548 \$**c**2021\$**4**datv

550 [!041468244!](http://d-nb.info/gnd/041468244)Buchmesse [Ts1]\$**4**obin

551 [!040181189!](http://d-nb.info/gnd/040181189)Frankfurt am Main [Tg1]\$**4**ortv

551 [!040247295!](http://d-nb.info/gnd/040247295)Hessen [Tg1]\$**4**geow

670 Homepage\$**b**Stand: 21.12.2021\$**u**<http://www.buchmesse.de/de/>

903 \$**e**DE-32

903 \$**r**DE-601

vie = code for a single conference numbering (\$**n**), year (\$**d**), and city (\$**c**) are parts of the access points

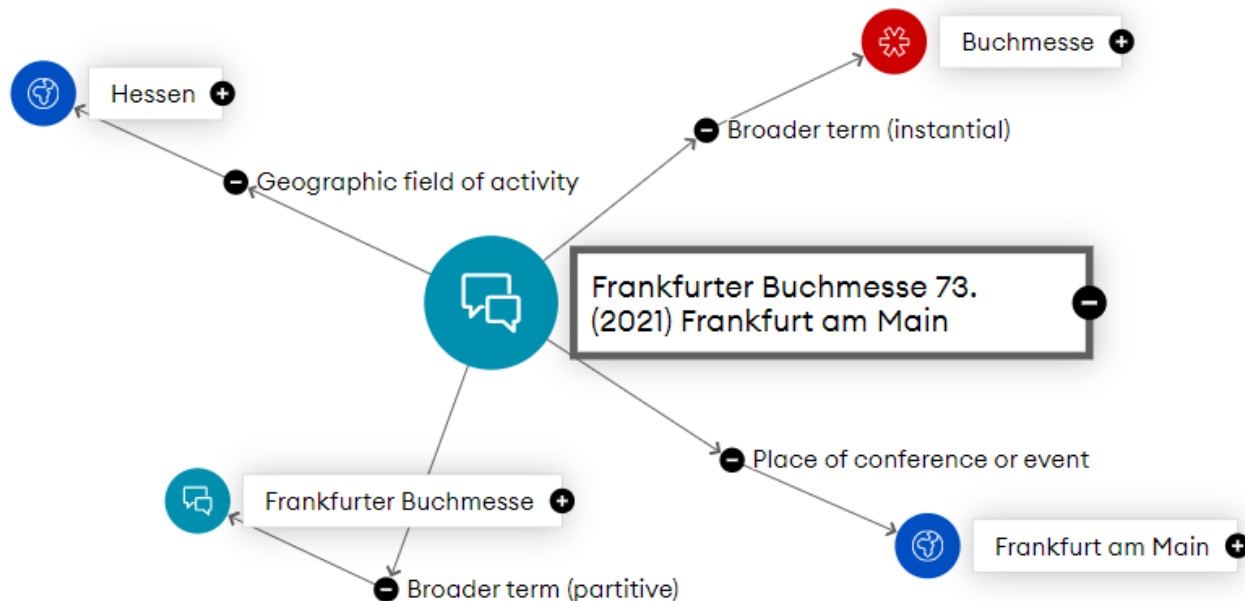
relation to conference
serie

type of conference: book fair

responsible cataloguing agency (ISIL)

Examples – GND Explorer

<https://explore.gnd.network/gnd/1244239046>





Standard Identifier

The GND-ID in field 035/006 is a persistent ID. Furthermore it is possible to record standard identifier in **field 024** according to the [Standard Identifier Source Code](#) list of the MARC documentation.

Standard identifier in field 024 used in conference records until now:

wikidata = Wikidata ([18](#))

doi = Digital object identifier ([1100](#)) (*a present all from TIB*)

lccn = Library of Congress control number ([45](#))

ror = Research Organization Registry ([1](#))

viaf = Virtual International Authority File number ([4](#)) (*not recommended*)

From 903.874 conference records only 1168 have an entry in field 024 (ca. 0,13%). Field 024 is an optional field.



Standard Identifier - Examples

005 Tf1

006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/4779599-2>

008 vif

024 wikidata: Q7852

035 gnd/4779599-2

111 Rallye-Weltmeisterschaft

.... [GND Explorer](#)

005 Tf1

006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/1245825356>

008 vie

024 doi: 10.25798/30jf-dr54

035 gnd/1245825356

111 ATMOS\$n21.\$d2021\$cOnline

.... [GND Explorer](#)

005 Tf1

006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/1801266-8>

008 vie

011 f

024 lccn: n00014829

035 gnd/1801266-8

111 International Conference on Heat
Transfer and Transport Phenomena in
Microscale\$d2000\$cBanff, Alberta

548 \$c2000\$4datv

551 [!041246047!](#)Banff\$gAlberta [Tg1]\$4ortv

.... [GND Explorer](#)



How is it possible to find by one query all scientific conferences in the GND?

At present this is not possible.

There are no distinct criteria which are covered by all records enabling to answer this query.

For the main use cases – alphabetical- and subject cataloguing – this never was a question.

If it is necessary for this project, it may be possible to mark it as a special application and give all such scientific conferences an instancial broader term „Wissenschaftliche Veranstaltung“. This topical term has to be recorded for that purpose in GND; at the moment it is missing.



Examples for instancial broader terms within the scope of subject cataloguing

005 Tf1
006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/1341382834>
008 vie
011 s
035 gnd/1341382834 [GND Explorer](#)
043 XP;XD-BR
065 10.7a;19.5
111 COP\$n30.\$d2025\$cBelém
...
550 [!981714250!](#)Klimaschutz [Ts1]\$4them
550 [!041944240!](#)Internationale Konferenz
[Ts1]\$4obin
...

005 Tf1
006 <http://d-nb.info/gnd/5350145-7>
008 vie
011 f;s [GND Explorer](#)
035 gnd/5350145-7
043 XA-DE-SH
065 34.2;35;34.3
111 Adolph-Anderssen-Gedenk-
Turnier\$d1968\$cBüsum
...
550 [!041792904!](#)Schachturnier [Ts1]\$4obin
550 [!954182340!](#)Internationale
Sportveranstaltung [Ts1]\$4obin
....

field 011 with the value „s“ = used in subject cataloguing; for such records the rules are amplified.



any questions?

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