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This special edition of Encontros Bibli offers to the public papers on cutting edge topics

in knowledge organization. It presents research on typologies of knowledge

organization systems (KOS), ethics in knowledge organization, and on the

representation of non-textual materials – in this case music and images. Each, in their

own right, can be seen as developments that reshape our understanding of the dialogue

and foundations of knowledge organization. We learn from De Lara that there are

many comparable attributes to KOS, and that we need to keep asking how we might

build typologies of KOS. Both Guimarães and Smiraglia offer us in their papers insight

into the foundational issues related to ethics in knowledge organization, with their

views arising from a domain-analytic perspective. Finally, Lacruz, as well as Laplante,

discuss case studies of representation, in which we learn about myriad variables that

affect the representation process. It is the editors' hope that this collection of papers

reflects the state of the art and raises some interesting questions for knowledge

organization in both the Brazilian and the international context.

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