

# RSC Action Plan 2023-2025

## Note

This Action Plan updates [RSC/Chair/2023/1](#), following the publication of [the RDA Board's Strategic Plan](#) and its approval of the extension of the Education and Orientation Officer role to a permanent position ('Report of RDA Board', [RSC/Minutes/413-443](#), Appendix 423)<sup>1</sup>.

The next update to the RSC Action Plan is due in January 2024. *RSC Action Plan 2024-2026* should be ratified at the RSC Meeting in January 2024 and published shortly thereafter.

## Standing Tasks (done every year):

- Direct RDA development to ensure continued alignment with the governing objectives:
  - Responsiveness to user needs
  - Cost efficiency
  - Flexibility
  - Continuity
  - Internationalization
- Report yearly on progress toward internationalization of the standard
- Add and adjust examples
- Provide content updates of RDA for Toolkit releases
- Continue RDA editorial cleanup (both in the Registry and the CMS)
- Continue guidance chapter development
- Be responsive to user feedback
- Review membership and tasks of all RSC Working Groups, adjusting as needed
- Interact with RSC Working Groups, monitoring their progress and providing input as needed
- Act on submitted discussion papers or proposals
- Provide expertise and support for RDA communities
- Provide outreach to new communities as opportunities arise
- Update RSC operations documents and create additional procedural documents as needed
- Refine processes (for translations, for policy statement updating, for Registry updating, etc.)
- Be alert to developments with IFLA LRM, ICP review, IFLA MulDiCat, ISSN, ISBD, and Records in contexts-International Council on Archives (RiC-IAD) for their impact on RDA

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<sup>1</sup> The text of the Action Plan was approved at the RSC Meeting at the Executive Session on 17 October 2023, but publication was delayed until [RSC/Minutes/413-443](#) was published and could be linked.

## 2023

### **1 Develop RDA as a responsive and dynamic standard**

- a. Offer support to communities interested in developing discussion papers and proposals
- b. Contribute to the development of the Strategic Plan for RDA 2023-2025
- c. Continue review of Community Resources area and communicate decisions to users
- d. Provide support for training for those transitioning to the official Toolkit
- e. Address placement, potential integration, and functionality of application profiles within the Toolkit
- f. First the Technical Working Group, then the RSC:
  - 1) Prepare new guidance chapter on collection level description
  - 2) Begin BIBFRAME mapping
  - 3) Review the concept of performance aggregates (amalgamation instructions)
- g. Begin planning for removal of soft deprecated elements
- h. Undertake a review to identify inconsistent language and use of terms
- i. Toolkit development goals that impact the RSC:
  - 1) Consolidate the RSC website with other related Drupal sites, including development of space for regional committees and better sharing of content
  - 2) Development of mapping tool
  - 3) Implement Community Resources access for both CMS users and non-CMS users

### **2 Increase the adoption of RDA**

- a. Continue to support regional groups
- b. Investigate an affiliate RSC membership status for regions not yet represented on the RSC, with an eye toward moving those regions to full membership status
- c. Provide orientation and support for RSC Representative from Latin America and the Caribbean when appointed

### **3 Provide relevant governance**

- a. Recruit or re-appoint individuals to the following RSC positions: RDA Examples Editor, Wider Community Engagement Officer
- b. Review existing protocols and assigned liaisons with other information standards groups, considering new alignment(s) with IFLA

## 2024

### **1 Develop RDA as a responsive and dynamic standard**

- a. Together with the RDA Board, review the status of countdown clock and community implementations of RDA
- b. Continue outreach and orientation to LIS education and training activities

- c. Continue review of Community resources area and communicate decisions to users
- d. Continue BIBFRAME mapping
- e. Continue planning for removal of soft deprecated elements
- f. Further the development of the Collective Agent entity by creating a working group
- g. Re-establish the Music Working Group
- h. Further develop Nomen and Timespan instructions
- i. Toolkit development goals that impact the RSC:
  - 1) Development of RDA templates

## **2 Increase the adoption of RDA**

- a. Begin outreach to archival (or other) communities in collaboration with RDA Board, as appropriate

## **3 Provide relevant governance**

- a. Recruit or re-appoint individuals to the following RSC positions: Technical Team Liaison Officer, Translations Team Liaison Officer

# 2025

## **1 Develop RDA as a responsive and dynamic standard**

- a. If needed, review status of countdown clock and community implementations of RDA together with the RDA Board
- b. Begin executing plan for removal of soft deprecated elements

## **2 Increase the adoption of RDA**

- a. Continue outreach to archival (or other) communities in collaboration with RDA Board, as appropriate

## **3 Provide relevant governance**

- a. Establish new Archives Working Group
- b. Recruit or re-appoint individuals to the following RSC positions: Secretary, RDA Examples Editor, Wider Community Engagement Officer, Education and Orientation Officer
- c. Recruit for RSC Chair-Elect