

**To:** RDA Steering Committee  
**From:** Gordon Dunsire, Chair, RSC  
**Subject:** RSC Places Working Group: 2017 membership and tasks

### Chair

- Gordon Dunsire

### Membership

- Christian Aliverti (Swiss National Library)
- Gordon Dunsire (RSC)
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### Tasks

1. Support the work of the 3R Project and provide expert advice.
2. Assist the development of instructions for a new RDA Places entity, building on 6JSC/PlacesWG/1.
  - 2.1. Resolve the issues surrounding use of the terms “government” and “jurisdiction” in 6JSC/TechnicalWG/4.
  - 2.2. Liaise with the RSC Fictitious Entities Working Group on the treatment of fictitious places.
  - 2.3. Liaise with the RSC Relationship Designators Working Group on relationships within the Place entity and between the Place entity and other entities.
3. Assist the development of instructions for a new RDA Time-span entity.
  - 3.1. Liaise with the RSC Fictitious Entities Working Group on the treatment of fictitious time-spans.
  - 3.2. Liaise with the RSC Relationship Designators Working Group on relationships within the Time-span entity and between the Time-span entity and other entities.
4. Liaise with the RSC Technical Working Group on issues of element analysis, linked data modelling and categorization relevant to places.
5. Review RDA instructions for places in an international context and develop proposals for improvement, building on 6JSC/PlacesWG/1.

### Relevant documents

- 6JSC/PlacesWG/1 Place as an RDA entity (<http://www.rda-isc.org/sites/all/files/6JSC-PlacesWG-1.pdf>)
- 6JSC/TechnicalWG/4 Court and Jurisdiction in RDA (<http://www.rda-isc.org/docs/6JSC-TechnicalWG-4.pdf>)