

AGENDA

NOVEMBER 2025 MEETING of the RDA Steering Committee

Asynchronous, via Basecamp, Google Meet and Zoom

17-20 November 2025

To be held on 17-20 November 2025, asynchronously with synchronous Executive Session on Executive Session on Monday 17 November at 7pm UTC and synchronous Public Session on Tuesday 18 November 2025 at 7pm (There is a handy time converter [here](#)).

Attending: Getaneh Alemu, RSC Wider Community Engagement Officer Elect (observing)
Colleen Barbus, RDA Board Chair
Renate Behrens, RSC Chair
Charlene Chou, RSC Wider Community Engagement Officer
Ahava Cohen, RSC Europe Representative
Szabolcs Dancs, RSC Translations Team Liaison Officer
Jack Ennis Butler, RSC Oceania Representative
Jessica Grzegorski, RDA Examples Editor
James Hennelly, Director, ALA Digital Reference (RDA publisher)
Christopher Holden, RSC Technica Team Liaison Officer
Felipe Martinez, RSC Latin America and the Caribbean Representative
Robert Maxwell, RSC North America Representative
Elisa Sze, RSC Education and Orientation Officer
Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary

Observers are welcome to attend online on Tuesday 18 November. Please email Anne Welsh, RSCsecretary@rdatoolkit.org to be added to the list to receive the Zoom meeting details.

Agenda item numbering continues from the previous meeting.

Executive Session

Monday 17 – Thursday 20 November 2025

Synchronous Meeting

Monday, 17 November 7:00-9:00pm UTC

online, via Google Meet

538 Welcome, housekeeping and review of previous action items – Renate Behrens

539 Update from the Board – Colleen Barbus

See also [Item 549.2 Report of the RDA Board](#) (annual report November 2024 – October 2025)

540 Update from ALA Digital Reference – James Hennelly

See also [Item 549.3 Report of ALA Digital Reference](#) (annual report November 2024 – October 2025)

541 Updates from Working Groups

541.1 Task and Finish / Advisory Working Groups – Renate Behrens and Ahava Cohen

See also Items [549.10 Reports of the Task and Finish Working Groups](#) and [549.11 Reports of the Advisory Working Groups](#) 2025)

541.2 Examples Working Group – Jessica Grzegorski

See also [Item 549.5 Report of the RDA Examples Editor](#) (annual report November 2024 – October 2025)

541.3 Technical Working Group – Chris Holden

See also [Item 549.8 Report of the Technical Team Liaison Officer](#) (annual report November 2024 – October 2025)

541.4 Translations Working Group – Szabolcs Dancs

See also [Item 549.9 Report of the Translations Team Liaison Officer](#) (annual report November 2024 – October 2025)

542 Meetings 2026 – Renate Behrens

[Items 543-549 discussed in the Public Session; Items 550-554 discussed in Asynchronous Executive Session]

555 AOB (Any Other Business) – Renate Behrens

Public Session

Tuesday, 18 November 7:00-9:00pm UTC

online, via Zoom

538 Welcome – Renate Behrens

[Items 539-542 discussed in Executive Session]

543 Recorded presentation by Aimee Hay, Program Coordinator, National State Libraries Australasia on Official RDA Implementation

We are very grateful to Aimee Hay for agreeing to record a presentation specifically for the RSC Public Session on the Australia-wide project to transition the library and information sector to Official RDA. This collaborative project runs throughout 2025 and 2026 to create the minimum critical documentation to contextualise Official RDA for the Australian information environment in preparation for Official RDA becoming the preferred standard by May 2027. (Project webpage: [Official RDA - National and State Libraries Australasia](#))

544 [RSC/NARDAC/2025/3](#) – [Proposal on] Inconsistency in the transcribed manifestation elements related to source of information

545 [RSC/NARDAC/2025/4](#) – [Proposal on] Scope note for Corporate Body

546 [RSC/ReligionsWG/2025/1](#) –Proposal to Revise Name of Corporate Body

547 Update on soft-deprecated terms – Chris Holden

The first of the proposals dealing with soft-deprecated terms will be discussed and voted on in the January meeting. In today's meeting, Technical Team Liaison Officer Chris Holden provides an update.

548 Update by Extent Working Group Chair Thomas Brenndorfer

The Extent Working Group has been working to take on board the feedback received on its discussion paper in November 2024. Thomas will provide a brief verbal update on the imminent publication of their proposals.

549 Formal presentation of annual reports of members of the RSC (to be published ahead of meeting)

549.1 Report of the RSC Chair

549.2 Report of the RDA Board

549.3 Report of ALA Digital Reference

549.4 Report of the RSC Secretary

549.5 Report of the RDA Examples Editor

549.6 Report of the Education and Orientation Officer

549.7 Report of the Wider Community Engagement Officer

549.8 Report of the Technical Team Liaison Officer

549.9 Report of the Translations Team Liaison Officer

549.10 Reports of the Task and Finish Working Groups

549.11 Reports of the Advisory Working Groups

549.12 Report of the RSC Representative for Europe

549.13 Report of the RSC Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean

549.14 Report of the RSC Representative for North America

549.15 Report of the RSC Representative for Oceania

[Items 550-554 discussed in Executive Session]

Executive Session

Asynchronous Meeting

17 – 20 November

online, via Basecamp

550 Fast Track Proposal – Anne Welsh

551 Update to ISSN Protocol – Renate Behrens

552 Annual Report 2025 – Renate Behrens

553 Action Plan 2026 – Renate Behrens

554 Operations Documents – Renate Behrens and Anne Welsh

555 AOB (Any Other Business) and thanks from the Chair