



RESEARCH DATA ALLIANCE



The Value of the RDA for Regions

The research Data Alliance's vision is researchers and innovators openly sharing data across technologies, disciplines, and countries to address the grand challenges of society



Important distinction between the two major components of the Alliance

- The **Work** of RDA is done by the *volunteer community* through self-formed, focused *Working Groups* and exploratory *Interest Groups* to build the social and technical connections or bridges.
- The **Business** of RDA is to support that *community* and facilitate the **building and using of the bridges** that enable open sharing of data.

There are thus several different ways for a region to engage with the RDA.

Value of RDA to Regions

- **Strong partnerships** with regional members is crucial to success of RDA as international organisation;
- Achieved through **complementary and mutually-beneficial** relationship;
- RDA **provides forum** for international community to **connect** and **share** knowledge;
- *Global perspective* a key **strength**;
- **Value** and **benefits** are realized through *work* and *business* of RDA.



How does the RDA support Regions in their Work?

- **Disseminating** Regional efforts to the Global RDA community;
- **Facilitating** connections and shared interests among Regions;
- **Supporting** Regional leadership to **build** the RDA community and create impact;
- **Enabling** international consensus to be built on issues of Regional importance.



How does the RDA support Regions in their Business?

- **Supporting** Regional development, administration and leadership;
- **Establishing** a Regional Assembly ensuring it has an appropriate function/role and influence;
- **Supporting** Regional leadership to achieve fundraising goals;
- **Providing** organizational partnership and **support** for Regionally-hosted RDA plenaries;
- **Hosting** Regional websites;
- **Providing** official support and **approval** for the use of RDA brand;
- **Resolving** and adjudicating conflicts.



Value of Regions to RDA

- **Regional composition** of RDA creates an international forum;
- The forum **legitimizes** and **strengthens** RDA recommendations and outputs;
- Regions **contribute** to RDA **work** through **participation** in core activities (plenaries, Working/Interest Groups etc);
- Regions **contribute** to RDA **business** through contributions (in-kind, monetary, plenary hosting etc);



How do Regions contribute to RDA Work?

- **Supporting** the vision, mission and principles of RDA Global at the Regional level;
- **Fostering** a diverse data community by engaging stakeholders within the Region;
- **Supporting** participation in plenaries and RDA-related activities;



How do Regions contribute to RDA Business?

- **Providing** financial contribution;
- **Providing** in-kind support to the Secretariat;
- **Facilitating** the hosting and organizing of plenaries;
- **Shaping** future directions;
- **Contributing** to the governance of the RDA.





Getting engaged

- The RDA Regional Engagement framework document and web space are available at <https://rd-alliance.org/groups/rda-regions>.
- Information regarding governance, legitimacy and how new Regions are created are outlined in the framework document.
- Contact the RDA Secretary General, Hilary Hanahoe for a one-to-one call to discuss your regional engagement ideas.

What does RDA do?

RDA is building the social and technical bridges that enable open sharing of data to achieve its vision of researchers and innovators openly sharing data across technologies, disciplines, and countries to address the grand challenges of society.

RDA members collaborate together across the globe to tackle numerous infrastructure & data sharing challenges related to:

- Reproducibility
- Data preservation
- Best practices for domain repositories
- Legal interoperability
- Data citation
- Data type registries
- Metadata
- So much more!



DATA SHARING



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Regions and RDA

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