RDA Council Meeting 4th November 2020 UTC 11:00-15:00

Meeting Chair: Mark Leggott and Ingrid Dillo

Attendees:

- 1. Kevin Ashley
- 2. Jill Benn
- 3. Sandra Collins
- 4. Ingrid Dillo
- 5. Joyce Gosata Maphanyane
- 6. Jason Haga
- 7. Robert Hanisch
- 8. Edit Herczog
- 9. Rebecca Koskela
- 10. Mark Leggott
- 11. Claudia Medeiros
- 12. Isabelle Perseil
- 13. Andrew Treloar
- 14. Hilary Hanahoe (RDA Foundation SG)
- 15. Bridget Walker RDA Foundation EA (notes)

Notes and actions following the Telcon Meeting 5th October 2020

Decision: Notes and actions accepted.

Strategy Plan 2020 – 2023 Overview – Ingrid Dillo

Discussion:

Ingrid presented an overview on the status of the draft strategy document together with feedback from the governance bodies consultation. Council discussed open issues, prioritisation and timing actions.

Strategy Plan 2020-2023 Prioritisation and Timing

Discussion:

Council members, divided into three strategic pillar groups – People, Processes, Products – to discuss and agree on prioritisation for the identified deliverables and provide a clear list of priorities and timing for each. The 3 groups presented to Council their proposed plans.

Decision:

Each of the 3 groups would finish the work by early December and hand over to Hilary. A presentation of the draft strategy document would be presented at the Funders Forum on 5th November 2020 and also to the community with a request for constructive feedback.

Financial Update – Financial Subcommittee

Discussion:

The financial reports on income and expenditure for the previous 3 months as well as forecasts for the next 3 months are presented on a quarterly basis. Quarterly reports were presented during the last Council meeting and will be presented at the January meeting together with forecasts for 2021 and 2022. Hilary provided an update on the current situation with the expected EU and US funding and continued in-kind support. Some Organisational Membership dues from years prior to 2020 are still outstanding and the procedure for recovery was discussed.

Decision:

OAB co-chairs would contact organisational members with outstanding invoices up to and including 2019.

Data Together – Mark Leggott

Discussion:

Mark provided Council with an update on the Data Together Steering Committee discussions and the next steps. The Committee would now be joined by the Secretary General / Executive Director from each of the 4 organisations.

TAB Update - Isabelle Perseil

Discussion:

Isabelle presented Council with an update on recent TAB activities and highlighting several operational and strategic issues.

Decision:

The points raised would be added to the agenda for discussion at the next Council meeting and in the meantime Secretariat would identify how they can assist with operational issues.

OA and OAB Update – Kevin Ashley, Rebecca Koskela

Discussion:

Council was provided with an update on actions and plans of both the OA and the OAB, pointing out that clarity would now be given on the distinction between the two bodies and reflect this in future meetings.

Plenaries Update – Hilary Hanahoe

Discussion:

Hilary provided Council with an update on Plenary 16 and 17.

Funders Forum Update – Hilary Hanahoe

Discussion:

Hilary showed Council an overview of the RDA presentation to be made to the Funders Forum meeting on 5th November 2020 which would include an overview of the strategic plan, achievements and highlights of the last 12 months and plans for the next 6 months together with a financial update. Council discussed the business highlights to be presented to the Funders Forum and how best to present the financial aspect.

AOB

Council agreed the next meeting would be scheduled in mid-December.