Technical Advisory Board
RDA 2nd Plenary Meeting

September 16-18, 2013
National Academy of Sciences, Washington DC US
Technical Advisory Board

• Technical Advisory Board provides technical expertise and advice to RDA Council
• TAB assists RDA community in developing and reviewing RDA WGs/IGs to promote their impact and effectiveness
• TAB is responsible for development, maintenance and evolution of RDA Technical Roadmap document
TAB sees its work as ...

• Bridging and facilitating activity of WGs/IGs
• Accountable to Council and RDA community for:
  • Review of WG/IG Case Statements
  • Ex-officio representation on Council
  • Technical recommendations that inform strategic approaches by Council and community
  • Work with RDA WGs/IGs to promote adoption and effectiveness of their deliverables
• Development and evolution of RDA technical roadmap
What is Technical Roadmap?

• Interoperability map: Map of current activity so that overlaps, similarities, and gaps can more easily be reasoned about by RDA community

• Activity: Inter-mediation between WGs and IGs – that is, bring WGs/IGs together in areas where overlap exist

• Activity: Guide and lead discussion of technical needs and opportunities of RDA
Emergent thoughts from today’s lunch between TAB and WG Chairs

- Suggestion: Establish testbed for demonstration of software interoperability when that need emerges
- Manage tension between lots of community initiatives and the need to minimize duplicative effort and wasted time
TAB Membership

• TAB will have 12 members set up in two phases:
  – First five members have already been nominated by RDA Council. They serve 1 year terms
  – Candidatures for six members will be elected after this Plenary
  – One seat held back in case of lack of balance after elections

• TAB has two co-chairs who oversee meetings and activities of the Technical Advisory Board
Each interim TAB member gives brief introduction

NEXT STEPS
TAB Interim Members

- Francoise Genova, Director, Strasbourg Astronomical Data Centre CDS, France
- Bill Michener, Professor and Director of e-Science Initiatives, University of New Mexico’s University Libraries, U.S.
- Beth Plale, Professor and Director of Data To Insight Center, Indiana University, U.S.
TAB Interim Members

- Andrew Treloar, Director of Technology, Australian National Data Service, Australia
- Peter Wittenburg, The Language Archive, Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Netherlands