



What, why and how of the RDA Europe adoption grants

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Agenda and intros



Sarah Jones, DCC
Run adoption programme
Also adopted Metadata
Standards Directory



Lisa de Leeuw
From DANS
Adopted CoreTrustSeal



Carlo Maria Zwölf
From VAMDC
Adopted data citation

What is the RDA?

International member based organisation with more than 7,900 members globally representing 137 countries

RDA is building the social and technical bridges that enable open sharing of data

Vision: researchers and innovators openly sharing data across technologies, disciplines, and countries to address the grand challenges of society

How does RDA work?

PROPOSE

- Members identify topics of mutual interest
- Submit case statements for approval

WORK

- Work is conducted by Interest and Working Groups
- Meetings take place virtually and at plenaries

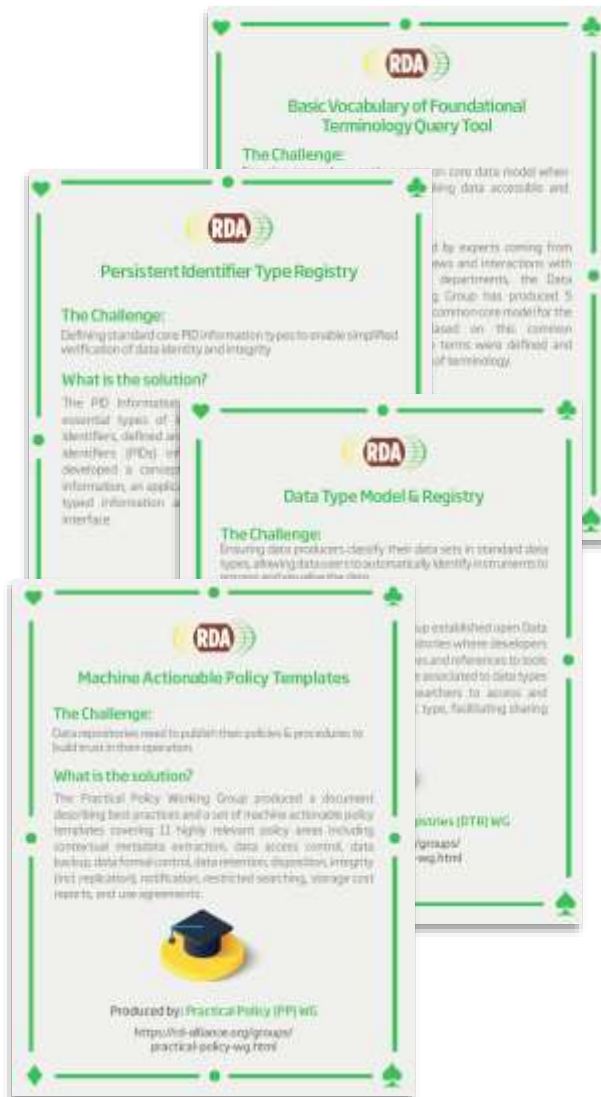
DELIVER

- Groups produce Outputs and Recommendations
- The community and TAB review and endorse work

ADOPT

- Members and wider stakeholders hear about and use outputs
- Outputs may inspire subsequent rounds of work

RDA recommendations & outputs



➤ Address registries for persistent identifiers and data types, policy templates, audit methodologies, standards directories, curricula, interoperability, cross-linking and many other topics

➤ A number of recommendations have also been endorsed as ICT technical specifications by the European Multi-Stakeholder Platform on ICT specifications

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/recommendations-and-outputs/all-recommendations-and-outputs>

RDA Europe grant schemes



Nodes

Nodes: seed funding for countries or regions to act as intermediaries between the global RDA and local interests/needs

ECR / Expert



ECR / Expert: travel bursaries of €1750 to support early career researchers and experts to attend plenaries



Ambassadors

Ambassadors: Individual grants of €7,000 for well-connected domain experts to spread RDA messages and engage their communities

Adoption



Adoption: organisational awards of up to €15,000 for projects to adopt RDA outputs and recommendations

Funded by Europe for Europe!

Only organisations from EU member states and associated countries are eligible to apply



Please check
eligibility criteria
before you apply!

Adoption scheme in a nutshell

- Will support 8 projects up to a maximum of €15,000 each
- Projects should be short and focused activities that run for up to 12 months
- Focus on adopting outputs in a context capable of providing lessons to other potential adopters
- The deadline for submitting applications is **4 March 2019 at 17:00 CET**

Key criteria

- Must adopt one or more RDA recommendation(s) and/or Output(s) and have sufficient knowledge to implement without significant assistance
- Must add value to the RDA output(s) e.g. use cases, guidelines on adoption, recommendations for improvement...
- Must demonstrate that there is appropriate co-funding (e.g. person effort, in-kind contributions, match funding etc)

Expectations of award-holders

- Present the adoption case in a webinar and/or plenary meeting
- Provide written case studies and final reports
- Results must be available for at least 4 years after the end of the project

Strengthen your application

- Follow the guidelines and meet required criteria!
 - Focus on RDA ICT Technical Specifications is a plus
 - Cross-disciplinary & multi-disciplinary projects favoured

- Essentially consider how to be more impactful
 - Broadly applicable use case
 - Wide and deep community engagement
 - Lots of potential (and likely!) impact
 - Strong dissemination and sustainability plan so work lives on

How to apply

- Go to: <https://grants.rd-alliance.org/node/605>
- Register for the RDA Europe grants portal (this is separate to RDA membership)
- Draft your application – you can save and return
 - 12 questions and admin info
- Submit by **4 March at 17 CET**

Important dates

Application period opens - 03 December 2018

Application period closes - 04 March 2019, 17:00 CET

Notification of results - 04 April 2019

Latest update 10th January 2019

[Submit your Application to the Open Call](#)

The review and granting process

- Applications will be marked by multiple independent evaluators (open calls for this too)
- The RDA Europe grant committee will review recommendations and apply balancing criteria if necessary
- All applicants will be notified of outcome by **4 April**
- Successful applicants will be contracted with the University of Goettingen. The contract will be with the lead applicant's organisation only.

Evaluation criteria

➤ Use Case (20%)

- strong and well thought through, generating clear value
- detailed workplan with realistic timeline for implementation and testing

➤ Community Connections (20%)

- address a genuine need and produce a usable output
- support a defined community to which the applicant has strong links

➤ Potential Impact (30%)

- Clear demonstration of added value e.g. big community, transformative change, cross-disciplinary, multiple outputs adopted, strong collaborators, clear reuse potential...

➤ Communication and Sustainability (30%)

- Wide ranging dissemination – webinar, case studies, guides, technical specifications, videos, training materials, CODATA collection paper...
- Open licence, sustain for minimum of 4 years



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