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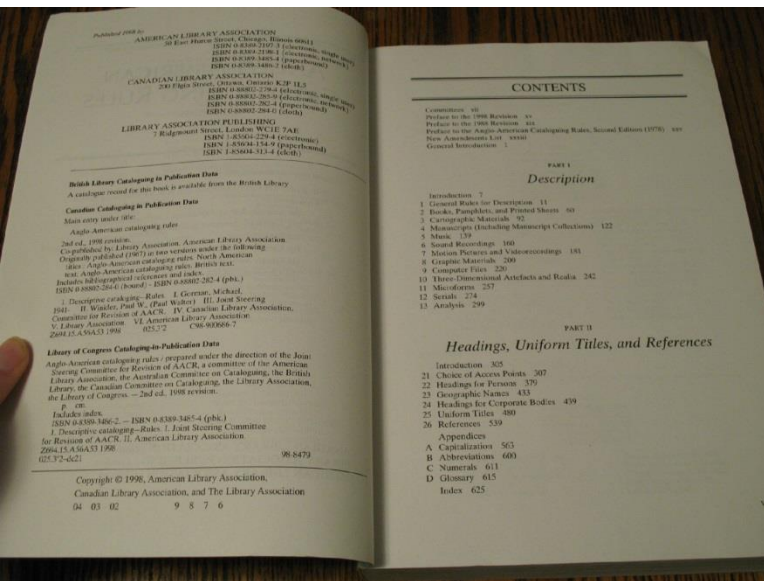
RESOURCE DESCRIPTION & ACCESS

RDA Strategy and Governance

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Context

- Built on structures from AACR and AACR2
- Flexing structures to respond to new environments and new kind of product



RDA
TOOLS
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- RDA

- RDA Table of Contents
- + 0: Introduction
- Section 1: Recording Attributes of Manifestation & Item
 - + 1: General Guidelines on Recording Attributes of Manifestations and Items
 - + 2: Identifying Manifestations and Items
 - + 3: Describing Carriers
 - + 4: Providing Acquisition and Access Information
- Section 2: Recording Attributes of Work & Expression
 - + 5: General Guidelines on Recording Attributes of Works and Expressions
 - + 6: Identifying Works and Expressions
 - + 7: Describing Content
- Section 3: Recording Attributes of Person, Family, & Corporate Body
 - + 8: General Guidelines on Recording Attributes of Persons, Families, and Corporate Bodies
 - + 9: Identifying Persons
 - + 10: Identifying Families
 - + 11: Identifying Corporate Bodies

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RDA Quick Search
Account ID
Password

GET STARTED WITH THE RDA TOOLKIT!

It's as easy as . . .

Log in to Your Subscription

If your institution's name is visible in the upper right corner of the window, then you're already logged into your subscription. If not, enter your subscription Account ID and Password in the login boxes.

Create a User Profile

Next, create a User Profile by clicking the "Create" button. If you already have a User Profile, enter your Profile Name and Password in the login boxes. Solo-users are automatically logged into their User Profile when they log into their subscription.

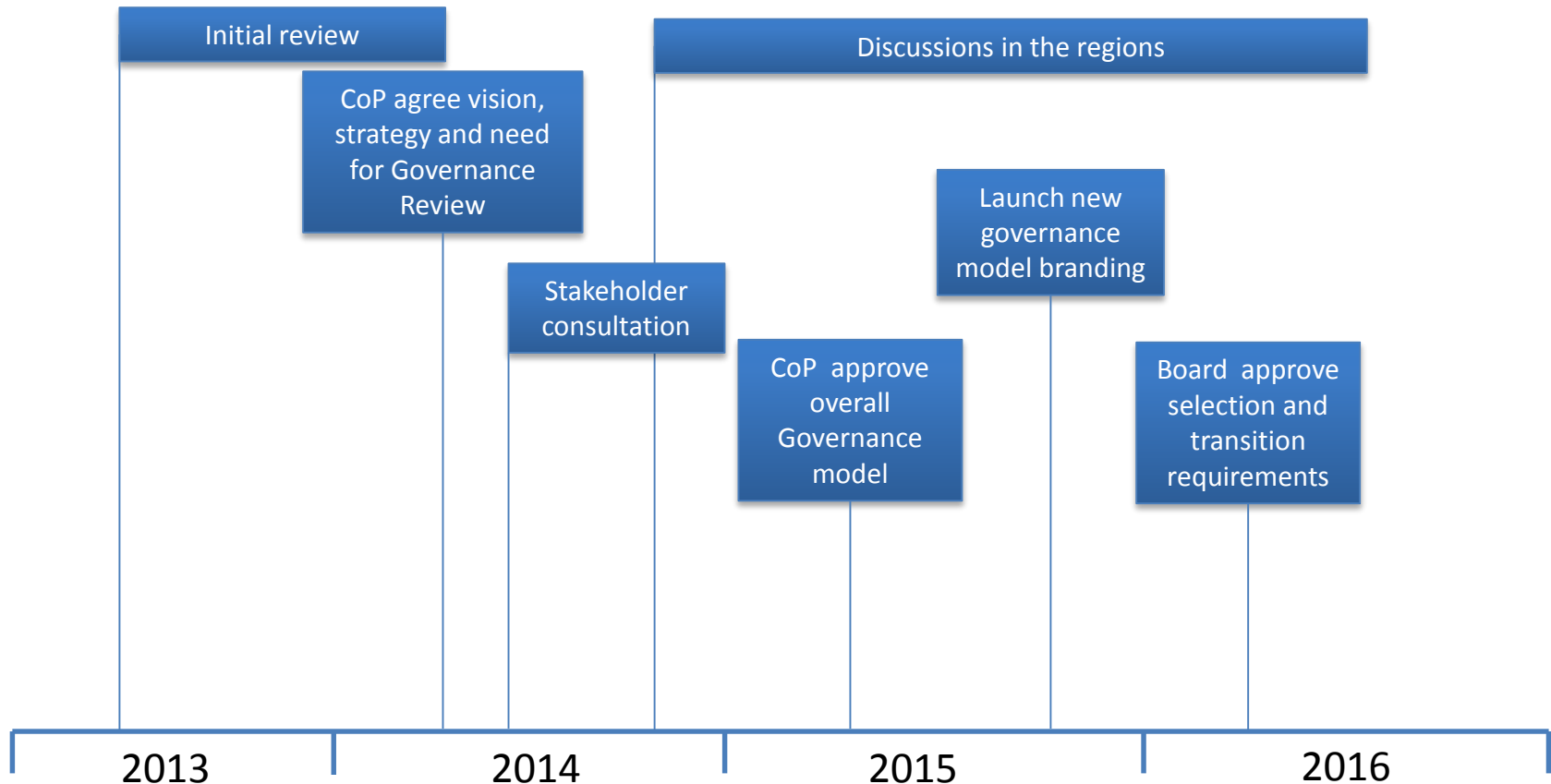
Browse or Search

On the RDA tab to the left, click the plus sign to expand and browse the RDA table of contents. On the Tools tab you can browse the RDA Element Set as well as workflows and maps. Search RDA only from the "RDA Quick Search" box above, or use Advanced Search to search RDA and other documents.

Need Assistance?

- Click the "Help" link in the lower left corner to visit our Quick Start Guide
- Request Support
- For an overview of RDA: Resource Description and Access and the RDA Toolkit—including how to create a User Profile, to browse and search, to use workflows and mappings, and to leverage your existing knowledge of AACR2 and MARC as an entry into RDA cataloging—sign up for a free RDA Toolkit

The journey so far....



RDA: the global standard enabling discovery of content

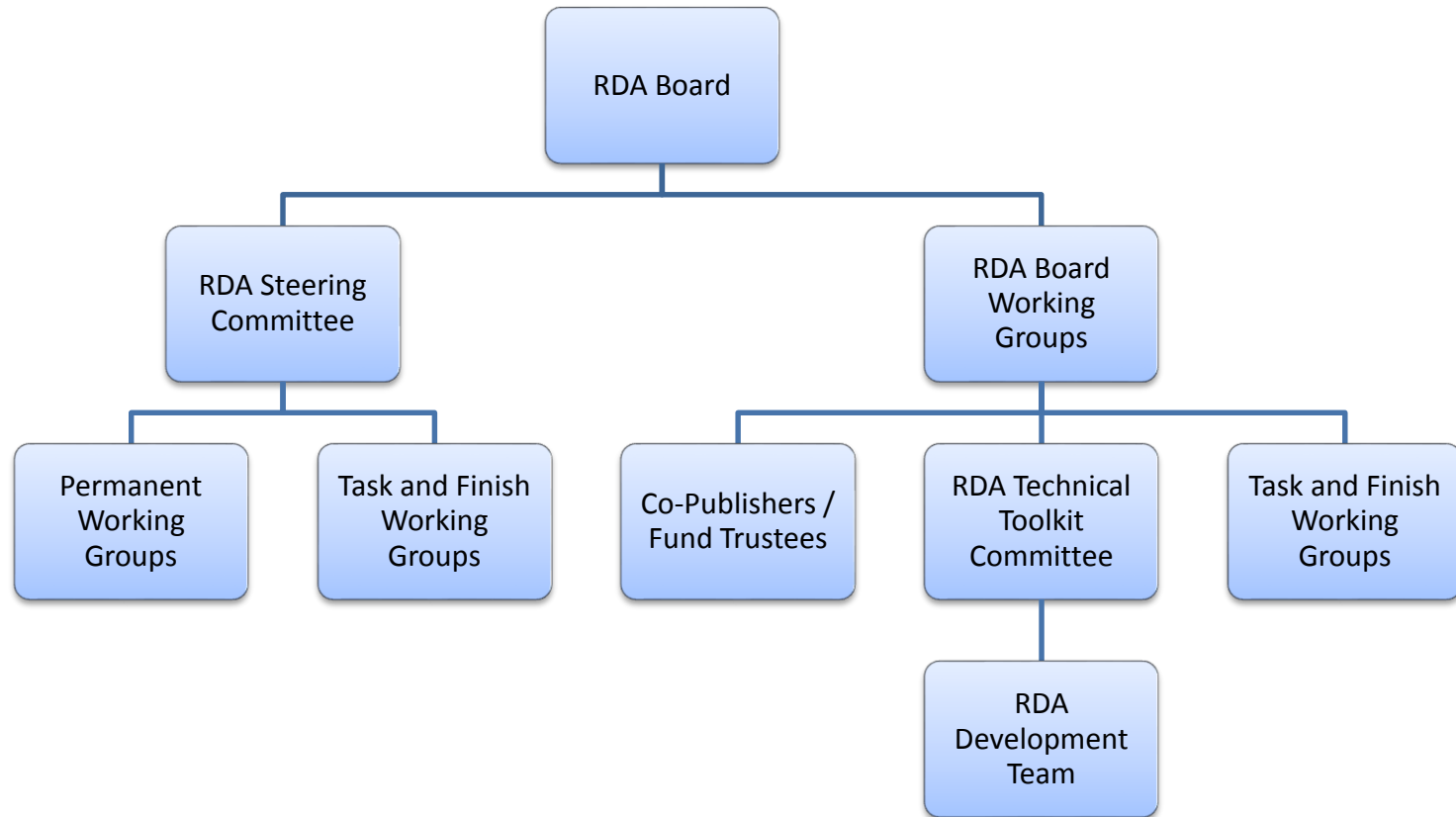
Strategic Priorities 2015 - 2020

1. Make RDA an internationally recognised standard
2. Increase the adoption of RDA internationally
3. Develop a sustainable business model
4. Develop a relevant governance structure

Principles for new Governance Model (2014)

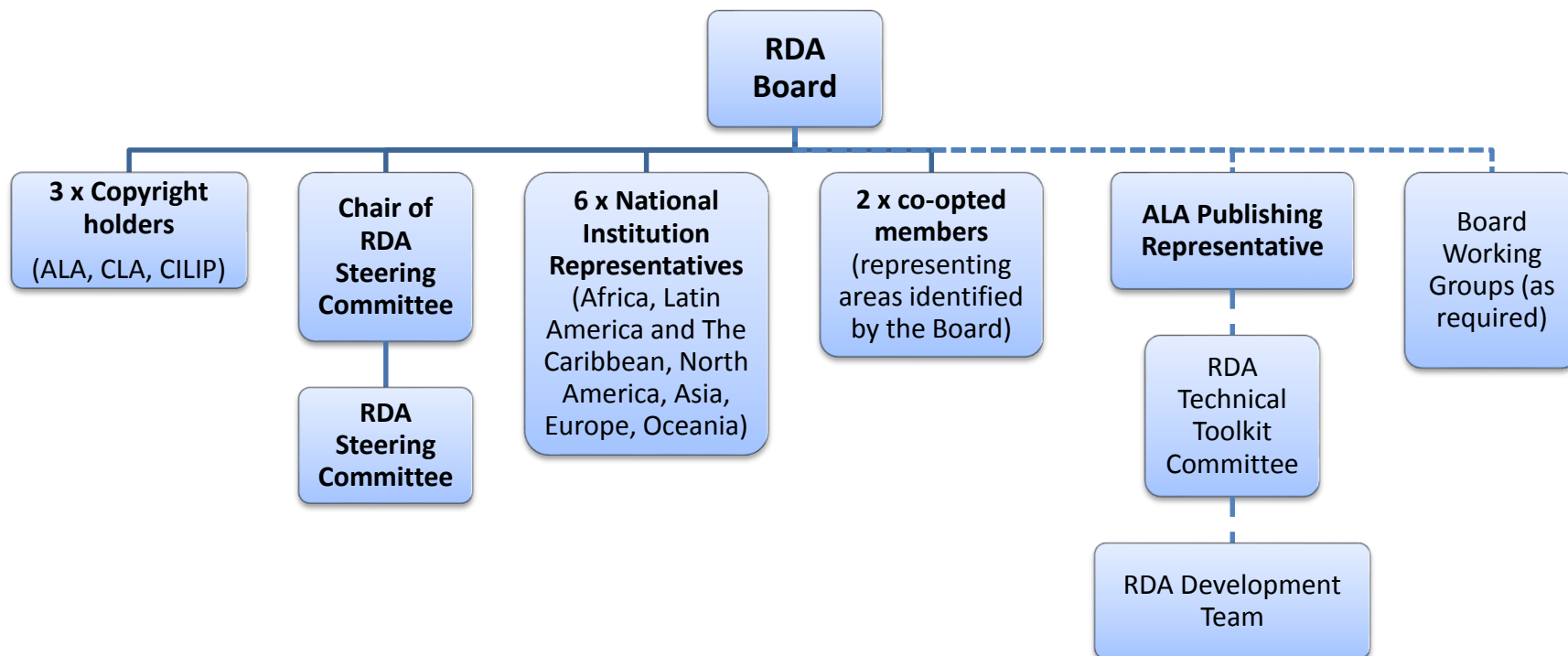
- Be flexible
- Ensure that current structures become more effective, not less
- Ensure that committees do not become too large (any more than 10-12 people can become un-workable and, specifically in our context, extremely expensive to run)
- Reflect different communities in line with the strategic plan (e.g. non-English speaking communities, cultural/heritage sector, data communities/vendors)
- Use working groups and, occasionally, contractors to deal with the volume of work
- Ensure that there is adequate succession planning
- Take into account existing structures that can be built upon and leveraged
- Take into account changes to processes which will need to be implemented as a result
- Have a transition period

Governance Model Overview



RDA Board

RDA Board



Selection process

Who?	Selection Process
Copyright holders (ALA, CILIP, CLA/CFLA)	Nominated by the association
National Institution representatives	Application and Selection
Chair of RSC	Post-holder
ALA Publishing Representative	Post-holder
Co-Options (maximum 2)	RDA Board Decision

A national institution is defined as a national agency which has implemented RDA or will have implemented RDA within a calendar year.

RDA Board will publish guidelines defining national agencies for eligible sectors.

National **Library** institutions are defined as the National Bibliographic Agency, which is:

"the organizational unit established within a country's library system, which undertakes responsibility for the preparation of the authoritative and comprehensive bibliographic records for each new publication issued in the country, making the records in accordance with accepted international bibliographic standards and publishing them with the shortest possible delay "

(International Federation of Library Associations, IFLA International Office for UBC, & UNESCO, 1979)

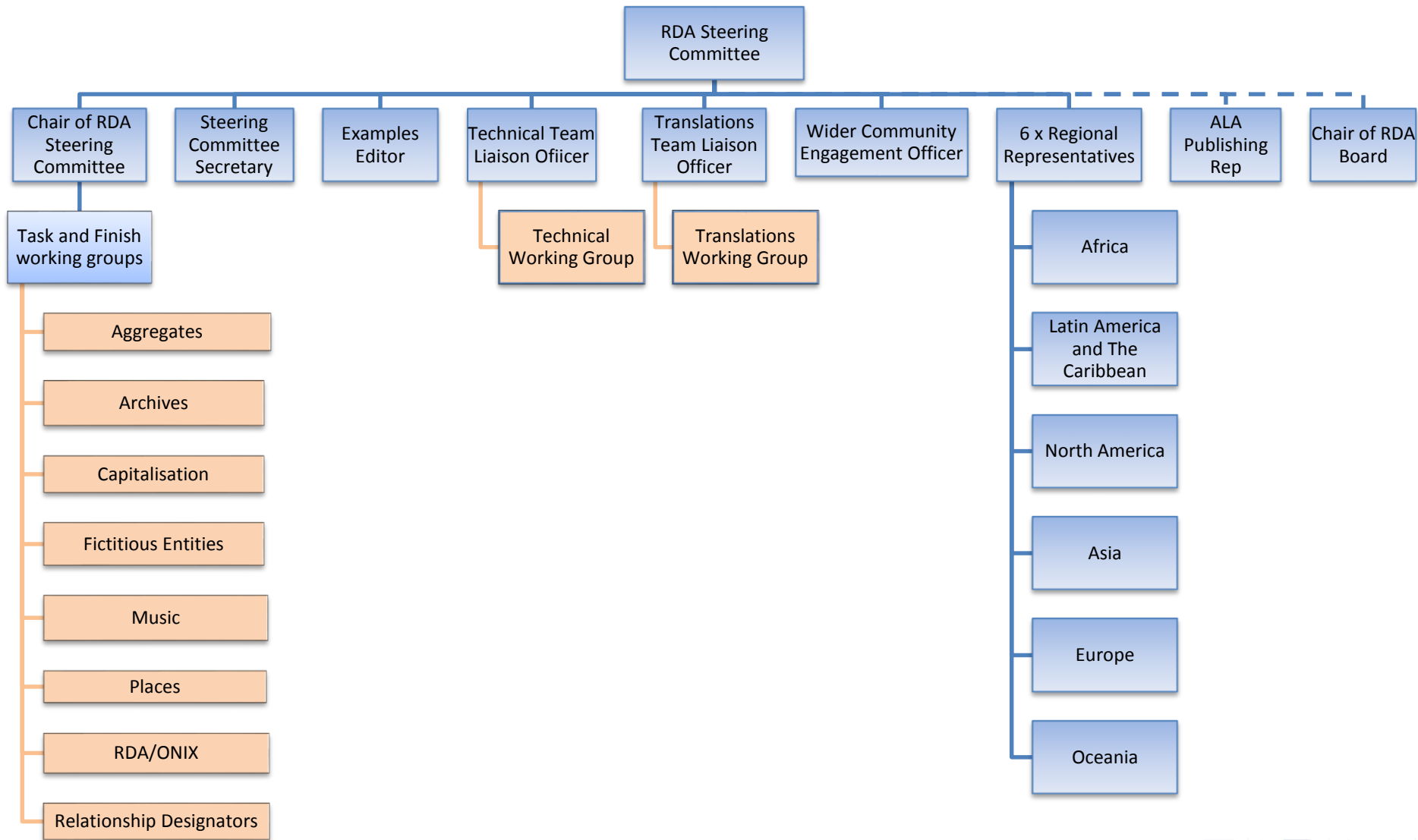
In the future the RDA Board will seek, utilise and/or develop appropriate definitions for these sectors. For example:

"National archival institutions which are governed by primary legislation and are responsible for the development of national archival policies and programmes"

(International Council on Archives, www.ica.org)

RSC RDA Steering Committee

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Requirements for a representative body

- ✓ Does not need to be a legal entity, but should have **terms of reference or a constitution**
- ✓ Should be constituted in a way that enables **representation of countries** in that region and organisations within those countries that have implemented RDA
- ✓ Provides **communication channels** for those organisations that have implemented RDA within their region to feed into the development of RDA
- ✓ Has a procedure in place to **appoint an appropriate representative to the RSC** and a substitute should the representative be unable to attend the meeting
- ✓ Is committed to **using the RDA online infrastructures** to develop and feedback on proposals
- ✓ Fosters **development of supporting structures** (e.g. Regional working groups, National groups)
- ✓ **Supports RSC working groups** by helping to identify possible members

Other Steering Committee Members

Who?	Selection Process
RSC Chair	Application and Selection
Examples Editor	
Technical Liaison Officer	
Translations Team Liaison Officer	
Wider Community Engagement Officer	
Secretary	Post-holder
Chair of RDA Board	
ALA Publishing Representative	

Transition Principles (2015)

- Current and future key stakeholders will be actively engaged in the change process and will be tasked with helping to shape future structures and support mechanisms to ensure they are fit for purpose
- We will carefully balance retaining current skills and expertise and bringing new skills and representation on board in order to ensure that the stability of RDA as a tool does not suffer
- The new structure will evolve gradually rather than one big change
- RDA Board aim to have the new structure firmly in place by 2019

Online Infrastructure

Proof of concept

- Discussion
- Collaborative working
- Web conferencing
- Voting/Feedback mechanisms
- Submission mechanisms
- Document repositories

The screenshot displays the RDA Steering Committee Wiki interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: [Introduction](#), [Discussion Tools](#), [Collaborative Working](#), [Getting Feedback](#), [Document Library](#), and [Topic 5](#). Below the tabs, the text "Attached here are:" is followed by two bullet points: "a general forum - anyone can post to this. Used for discussions over a period of time" and "online chat - used for instant chat discussions. Works best when chats are scheduled for a specific date/time/frequency".

Below the text, there are two sections:

- RDA Steering Committee General Discussion**: "Use for general discussion topics. I have set this up so that it:
 - displays in a blog like format
 - has optional subscription - you choose to subscribe or not
 - no groups are set for this
- RDA Steering Committee Instant Chat**: "This is the instant chat area. It has been set up with:
 - Repeated chat session times, weekly at 17:00
 - Never delete messages so that they are recorded
 - Everyone can view past sessions

At the bottom right, it says "You are logged in as [Simon Berner-Edwards](#). Student ([Return to my normal role](#))".

Below this, the **RDA Steering Committee Wiki** section is shown. It states "RDA Steering Committee Wiki is set up as:" followed by a list: "Collaborative wiki", "HTML format", and "No Groups". Below this are tabs: [View](#), [Edit](#), [Comments](#), [History](#), [Map](#), and [Files](#). A [Printer-friendly version](#) link is also present.

The **Home** section shows a list of headings: "1. Heading 1" and "2. Heading 2". Below this, the **Instructions on using the wiki** section is displayed, containing a list of instructions: "To create a new page linked to this one, edit this page and then type the name of the page", "Save this page then click on the red link and you will then be able to edit that new page. Ch", "When adding hyperlinks to new resources ensure that you", "Set the target to open the external link in a new window", "Add a meaningful title - this will help screen reader users identify if the link is worth folo", "You can also link existing pages by typing in their name enclosed in the double square bra", and "You can add a table of contents to a page by formatting section headings as Heading 1".

On the right side, the **RDA Board Papers** section is shown, titled "Papers from the RDA Board meeting". It lists several documents with icons: "03 ALA Publishing Update.docx", "05 ReportRSC2RDABoardApril2016.docx", "06 RSC Annual report 2015.pdf", "08 British Library.docx", "08 DNB.docx", "08 NLA.docx", "07 RDA Governance Review Implementation v0.1.1 160416.pdf", "15 RDA Strategic Plan v1.1 210515.xlsx", and "Board April 2016 agenda 230316.docx".

Testing the proof of concept

Month	Activities
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reviewing requirements
May	
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial set up
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RSC Chair and Secretary training, testing and development• RSC/Technical Working Group / Aggregates Working Group training• Testing begins
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Testing• Review of functionality• Decide next steps

**“This is not the end, this is not even the beginning of the end,
this is just perhaps the end of the beginning.”**

— Winston S. Churchill



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