Getting Beyond Beta:
Next Steps in Finalizing the New Toolkit

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Stabilizing the Text
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• **When:** April 2019
• **Who:** RSC, who will review/approve all elements
• **Why:** Enables policy statement creators, translators, and writers of supplementary resources to get to work, using a reliable text
• After the English text is stable, updates/releases to the Toolkit will be more formal than during the past few years
Stabilize the English Text

• What content may change after this occurs?
  ▪ Correction of errors
  ▪ Edits to improve consistency
  ▪ Additional conditions/options within an existing element
  ▪ Creation of new elements

• What may not change?
  ▪ Anything requiring substantial rewording, especially if it would affect the translations

• When do these restrictions cease?
  ▪ After the new Toolkit is no longer “beta”
Other Implications of Winding Down 3R
Continue to Implement Governance Changes

• Clearly identify roles of RSC Working Groups, RSC Regional Groups, and RSC itself
• Develop new internal communication procedures
• Develop new procedures and time frames for proposals, including both major and minor changes
• Recruit for new Examples Editor
RSC Working Groups

• Charged to share format or subject expertise and to participate in RDA development and revision
• Expect to discharge most of the existing RSC Working Groups after the English text is stabilized
  ▪ RSC to reassess the needs for specialized working groups in the 2nd quarter
• Most Working Groups will
  ▪ Be “task and finish” groups, with no more than a 2-year life span
  ▪ Have specific tasks and time frames assigned
  ▪ Have international membership with representation from at least two regions
• Two standing working groups
  ▪ RSC Technical Working Group
  ▪ RSC Translations Working Group
Role of RSC Regional Groups

• Currently EURIG, NARDAC, and ORDAC
  ▪ Anticipate the development of a Latin American group during 2019
• Share expertise to support RDA development, enhancement, and refinement
  ▪ Including topics that are too general, or too short-term for a specialized working group
• Each regional group determines how to accomplish tasks and how to share its work
Role of RSC

• Becoming more of an executive body
• Will make final decisions, based on input from working groups and from regions

• Members
  ▪ Contribute to RSC activities, decision-making, etc.
  ▪ Volunteer their regions to work on a particular topic
  ▪ Recommend members for RSC Working Groups
  ▪ Share information about RSC meetings and decisions with the regional groups
RSC Communication Procedures

• Moving away from making major decisions only on an annual basis
  ▪ Goal to make/implement decisions on at least a quarterly basis
  ▪ Will continue monthly virtual meetings through March and will assess their ongoing need after that
  ▪ Will continue annual face-to-face meetings
    o But will look to shorten their duration to under a week

• Utilizing collaborative workspaces for decision making
  ▪ Less reliance on email
New Procedures for Proposals

• Yet to be developed
  ▪ A priority after the English text is stabilized

• Will need to support the quarterly decision-making goal

• Must allow for community feedback
  ▪ To be managed by the regional groups, who will vet responses and send their recommendations on to the RSC

• Decisions must be made public
Post 3R Work
Future RDA Development
Includes...

• Extent of Manifestation
• Extent of Expression
• Refinement of Collective Agent
Questions?