

**To:** RDA Steering Committee  
**From:** Gordon Dunsire, Chair, RSC  
**Subject:** RSC Places Working Group: 2016 membership and tasks

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### Tasks

1. Review the treatment of place as an entity and attributes of other entities in *RDA* and develop proposals for improving relevant aspects of *RDA*, including machine-actionability, building on 6JSC/PlacesWG/1.
2. Liaise with the RSC Technical Working Group on issues of element analysis, linked data modelling and categorization relevant to places.
3. Investigate the issues surrounding use of the terms “government” and “jurisdiction” in 6JSC/TechnicalWG/4 in consultation with EURIG, and prepare a proposal/discussion paper by Aug. 1, 2016.
  - a. Review each change in the table for recommendation #2.
4. Review *RDA* instructions for places in an international context and develop proposals for improvement, building on 6JSC/PlacesWG/1.
5. Make recommendations for the development of *RDA* Chapter 27 (Related places) and Appendix L (Relationship designators: Relationships between concepts, objects, events, and places), building on 6JSC/PlacesWG/1.
6. Prepare draft proposals for relationship designators for a Place entity by Aug. 1, 2016.

### Relevant documents

- 6JSC/ALA/19 Proposed Revision of RDA 16.2.2 (Preferred Name for the Place) (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-ALA-19-Sec-final-rev.pdf>)
- 6JSC/BL/10 Revision of 9.8.1.3, 9.9.1.3, 9.10.1.3, 9.11.1.3, 10.5.1.3, 11.3.1.3, 11.13.1.3, 16.2.2.4, 16.2.2.9.2, B.1, B.11 to eliminate use of abbreviations for places (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-BL-10.pdf>)

- 6JSC/DNB/2 Larger place – Revision of RDA 16.2.2.4 (Recording the Preferred Name); 16.2.2; 16.2.2.9.1; 16.2.2.9.2; 16.2.2.10; 16.2.2.10.1; 16.2.2.11; 16.2.2.11.1; 16.2.2.12; 16.2.2.13; 16.2.2.14 (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-DNB-2.pdf>)
- 6JSC/PlacesWG/1 Place as an RDA entity (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/sites/all/files/6JSC-PlacesWG-1.pdf>)
- 6JSC/TechnicalWG/4 Court and Jurisdiction in RDA (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-TechnicalWG-4.pdf>)