

RSC/PlacesWG/2023/1/EURIG response  
May 2, 2023

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee  
CC: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary  
From: Ahava Cohen, Europe representative  
Subject: Formal response to RSC/PlacesWG/2023/1 – Jurisdictions,  
Governments, and Courts in RDA

### **2014 Recommendations**

As these are more statements than recommendations at this time, EURIG thanks the members of the WG for their work in reviewing the old recommendations against the Official Toolkit.

### **2023 Recommendation 1A**

Approve

### **2023 Recommendation 1B**

Approve

### **2023 Recommendation 1C**

Approve

### **2023 Recommendation 1D**

Approve

### **2023 Recommendation 1E**

Approve

### **2023 Recommendation 1F**

Approve, with question

Condition option 2's wording may be confusing for Toolkit users as there are many categories of government but only a subset has the power to set an official language. Are official languages inheritable from larger corporate bodies or is "official language" in this context the equivalent of "language of corporate body"?

### **23 Recommendation 1G**

Approve, with suggestion

Condition Option 2 uses "the official language". It is unclear in this recommendation what would happen if the government of the jurisdiction had more than one official language and none were the language preferred by the agent who creates the metadata. In many other places in the Toolkit the indefinite, rather than the definite, article was used to anticipate such situations.

Suggested rewording:

2. the form of the name in an official language of the language of the government of the jurisdiction in which the place is located.

**2023 Recommendation 1H**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 1I**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 1J**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 1K**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 1I**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 2**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 3**

Approve

**2023 Recommendations 4-7: General comment**

EURIG believes these recommended changes would benefit from examples and from consideration of condition/option sets which may be required for the new elements.

**2023 Recommendation 4**

Approve, with comment

There is a condition/option set referring to "appellation of place" in the element to be deprecated. As nowhere in the 2023 recommendations is "appellation of place" it should be determined where, if anywhere the condition/option pair should be relocated to before deprecation.

**2023 Recommendation 5**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 6**

Approve

**2023 Recommendation 7**

Approve