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EURIG Annual Report

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ABSTRACT

The Chair's annual report to the membership, presented at the May 2017 meeting in Florence, includes notices of new EURIG members, planned implementations, and a summary of the 2016 Members' Meeting in Latvia. There is a review of changes in governance, including the adoption of the revised Cooperation Agreement and the announcement of the incoming Executive Committee. EURIG's contribution to RDA development and plans to migrate the website are also summarised.

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Membership

EURIG has 42 member organizations in 26 countries.

Figure 1: Diffusion of EURIG member organizations.

Four new members have joined during 2016-17:

1. Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (United Kingdom)

2. The eLABa Consortium (Lithuania)

3. The National Library of Estonia

4. The National Library of Israel

One member has not yet approved the revised co-operation agreement.

Members' Meeting 2016

The 2016 members' meeting was hosted by the National Library of Latvia. The meeting was held in conjunction with the seminar *RDA in the Baltics and Eastern Europe*, a workshop on governance and a Jane-athon event. This series of events attracted more than 90 delegates. Further details of the meeting can be found on the website.[1]

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[1] http://www.rda-rsc.org/europe/meetings/2016meeting.

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Governance

Members participated in a workshop on governance at the Riga meeting. The workshop established principles by which the Europe region should work. Members also agreed in principle to proposals for amending EURIG's structure and processes for appointment of regional representatives to RDA Board and RDA Steering Committee. It was agreed to establish a EURIG Editorial Committee, Chaired by the RSC representative. These outcomes were subsequently incorporated in the revised EURIG Co-operation agreement, which was approved by members in March 2017 and will come into effect from 1st May, 2017.

The terms of the elected officers expire in May 2017. Nominations were sought for 2017-2019 term. As only 3 nominations were received, no election will be required and the new Executive Committee will take office following the 2017 Members' Meeting.

Office	Incumbent	2017-19
Chair	Alan Danskin (UK)	Hanne Hørl Hansen (Denmark)
Vice-Chair	Verena Schaffner (Austria)	Marija Liisa Seppälä (Finland)
Secretary	Anders Cato (Denmark)	Ahava Cohen (Israel)
Interim RSC Representative[2]	Renate Behrens (Germany)	Renate Behrens (Germany)

RDA Implementation

The following implementations were announced in 2016-2017:

1. Iceland implemented RDA during 2016.

2. The Danish Agency for Culture and Palaces announced that Denmark will implement RDA with effect from 1st January 2018.

3. The National Library of Spain decided to adopt the standard RDA: Resource Description and Access for cataloging their collections, with effect from 1st January 2019.

Many other members continued to progress implementations that are already underway. There is an outstanding action on ExCo to develop a roster showing members' implementation status. This will be taken forward in the new pages.

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RDA Development

EURIG formed an interim Editorial Committee (EdCo) in July 2016 to coordinate responses to RDA proposals. DNB kindly allowed EURIG to share the infrastructure developed to facilitate the DACH community's work. The current membership of the Editorial Committee is:

1. Renate Behrens (DNB, Chair, Interim RSC Representative)

2. Anders Cato (Danish Agency of Culture and Palaces, Secretary)

3. Christian Aliverti (National Library of Switzerland)

4. Alan Danskin (BL, EURIG Executive Committee representative)

5. Hanne Hørl Hansen (Danish Bibliographic Agency)

6. Hallfríður Kristjánsdóttir (National and University Library of Iceland)

7. Marja-Liisa Seppälä (National Library of Finland)

8. Christoph Steiger (University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna)

EdCo discussed the 2016 RSC papers, taking account of national discussions and prepared the responses, in a series of virtual meetings during September. The committee has met on two subsequent occasions.

Renate Behrens represented the Europe Region at the November 2016 RSC Meeting hosted by DNB in Frankfurt.

EURIG members serve on the following RDA Working Groups:

Aggregates	Françoise Leresche (BNF); Clément Oury (ISSN); Marija Liisa Seppälä (NL Finland),
Capitalization	Anders Cato (Danish Agency for Culture & Palaces); Mauro Guerrini (University of Florence,Italy); Anita Krawalski (Deutsche Nationalbibliothek, Germany) Marija Liisa Seppälä (NL Finland); Marja Smolenaars (KB)
Music	Anders Cato (Danish Agency for Culture and Palaces)
Places	Christian Aliverti (Swiss National Library); Esther Scheven (DNB)
Rare materials	Michael Beer (Bayerische Staatsbibliothek); Adelaida Caro Martín (Biblioteca Nacional de España); Peter Sjovist (Uppsala University, Sweden)
RDA/ONIX Framework	Alan Danskin (British Library); Françoise Leresche (BNF)
Technical	Sarah Hartmann (Deutsche Nationalbibliothek); Ricardo Santos Muñoz (Biblioteca Nacional de España); Marja-Liisa Seppälä (National Library of Finland)

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EURIG members also contribute to translations and to the development and delivery of RDA training throughout the Regions. A series of Jane-athon events were hosted in 2016 by EURIG members and moderated by RSC Chair and Deborah Fritz.

Communications

The Executive Committee has worked with ALA Publishing to migrate the EURIG website to the RSC site. This work is currently in progress. Core content has been migrated to enable a soft launch in early May and resources are in place to complete the migration before the current site is closed down on 30th June.

ExCo also looked at Trello and PB Works as potential tools for shared planning and collaborative working. Both have considerable potential, but for practical reasons we have relied on DNB's infrastructure this year.