

MINUTES  
JANUARY 2025 MEETING  
Asynchronous, via Basecamp and Zoom  
20 - 23 January 2025

**Attending:** Colleen Barbus, RDA Board Chair  
Renate Behrens, RSC Chair  
Charlene Chou, RSC Wider Community Engagement Officer  
Charlotte Christensen, RSC Oceania representative  
Ahava Cohen, RSC Europe representative  
Szabolcs Dancs, RSC Translations Team Liaison Officer  
Jessica Grzegorski, RDA Examples Editor  
James Hennelly, Director, ALA Digital Reference (RDA publisher)  
Christopher Holden, RSC Technical Team Liaison Officer  
Damian Iseminger, Past RSC Technical Team Liaison Officer (observing)  
Robert Maxwell, RSC North America representative  
Elisa Sze, RSC Education and Orientation Officer  
Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary

**Apologies:** Szabolcs Dancs was unable to attend the Executive Session call on 21 January  
Charlene Chou was unable to attend the Public Session call on 22 January

**Invited Speakers (Public Session Only)**  
Michaela Edelman, DNB  
Matthias Manecke, DNB

**Observers (Public Session Only; present for whole Public Session)**  
Selma Alexandre, USA  
Dominique Bourrassa, USA  
Thomas Brenndorfer, Canada  
Victoria Brown, Australia  
David Church, New Zealand  
Hong Cui, USA  
Bonnie Dede, USA  
Britannia Gammond, Canada  
Kathy Glennan, USA

Jeannette Ho, USA  
Sarah Hovde, USA  
Bridget Jennings, New Zealand  
Ebe Kartus, New Zealand  
Shu Ma, USA  
Olivera Nastic, Serbia  
Oddrun Ohren, Norway  
Daniel Paradis, Canada  
George Prager, USA  
Pat Riva, Canada  
Andrew Robinson, New Zealand  
Amanda Ros, USA  
Andrea Schuba, USA  
I-Chene Tai, USA  
Manon Theroux, USA  
Jodi Williamschen, USA  
Thurstan Young, UK

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## **Executive Session 1**

Monday 20 – Thursday 23 January 2025

### **500 Welcome and review of past action items**

#### **500.1 Welcome**

In the Executive Session, Renate Behrens welcomed members of the RSC to the January Meeting and thanked them for their work since November. In the Public Session, she welcomed invited speakers Michaela Edelmann and Mathias Manecke ([Item 505](#)) and the observers, some of whom were attending solely for the demonstration of the RDA-DACH Manual ([Item 505](#)) and some of whom were attending the whole Public Session.

#### **500.2 Review of past action items**

All actions from the last meeting were completed or in progress or were recharged during this meeting (Items [503.1](#) and [506.1.3.1.1-3](#)).

### **501 Annual Report**

As part of the discussion on the Action Plan ([Item 502](#)), the Chair and Secretary obtained updates which will feed into the Annual Report for 2024.

### **502 Action Plan**

The Secretary circulated a draft Action Plan which was discussed asynchronously on Basecamp throughout the week and on the Executive Session team call on Tuesday 21 January. After fulsome discussion and input from members of the RSC, the Action Plan was agreed. It was published as [RSC/Chair/2025/1](#) on 27 January 2025.

### **503 Annual Refresh of the Operations Documents**

The Secretary circulated drafts of updates to RSC/Operations/1 and RSC/Operations/3 which reflected the introduction of a new class of Working Group (Advisory Working Groups) agreed by the RDA Board at its December Meeting ([Item 504.1](#)). After discussion and input from members of the RSC, [RSC/Operations/1/2025](#) and [RSC/Operations/3/2025](#) were published on 27 January 2025. It had been hoped to discuss the timeline that NARDAC would prefer for the discussion of proposals and discussion papers ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 492) but Robert Maxwell reported that he had not received a conclusive response to his query ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 492.1) so that Action Item (492.1) will be carried over as Item 503.1. Ideally the Secretary would like to prepare an update to RSC/Operations/4 for discussion at the April Meeting and so will need NARDAC's input by the end of February to achieve this. The current wording on scheduling is as follows ([RSC/Operations/4/2024](#) Section 5 Scheduling):

“Discussion papers and proposals may be submitted at any time. They will first be reviewed by the Technical Working Group to assure semantic integrity with RDA before moving forward to the RSC.

Discussion papers and proposals will be scheduled for discussion during the public session of an in-person RSC meeting or a public conference call at an asynchronous RSC meeting to benefit from public input and to provide transparency.

The RSC Chair and RSC Secretary will determine if the proposed change will be on the agenda for the next RSC meeting, or if it will be discussed at a later meeting. The timetable must allow sufficient time for the RDA regional representative bodies and RSC members to translate, consider, and comment on proposed changes. The RSC Secretary will notify the RSC and the proposer of the timetable.”

**503.1 ACTION:** Robert Maxwell to check with NARDAC on their ideal timescale (was [RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 492.1)

## **504 Updates from Working Groups**

### **504.1 Task and Finish / Advisory Working Groups**

Renate Behrens reported that the change in structure of the RSC Working Groups that was decided in Washington in November ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 498.1) was accepted and endorsed by the RDA Board at the beginning of December and the Chairs of the Working Groups have been informed of the changes to their groups. The Secretary had already updated the [Working Groups pages on the website](#) to include information on Advisory Working Groups.

#### **504.1.1 The Religions in RDA Working Group is now an Advisory Working Group.**

The Secretary had prepared a draft update to the group’s charge document which was approved by the RSC and published as [RSC/Chair/2025/6](#) on 1 February 2025. [The Religions in RDA Working Group webpage](#) has been updated.

#### **504.1.2 The Archives Working Group is newly founded as an Advisory Working Group.**

Its first meeting was scheduled for 27 January. Its updated charge document is under preparation. [Its webpage](#) was published on 16 January 2025.

**504.1.2.1 ACTION:** Renate Behrens to lead Archives Working Group in selecting a Working Group Chair.

**504.1.2.2 ACTION:** Secretary and Chair to assist Archives Working Group in drafting updated charge document.

### **504.1.3 The Extent Working Group was extended until 31 December 2025**

It remains a Task and Finish Working Group. At the time of the meeting, the Chair and Secretary were awaiting feedback from the Working Group Chair, Thomas Brenndorfer, as to the timetable he plans for submitting proposals. The Secretary had prepared a draft update to the group's charge document which was approved by the RSC and published as [RSC/Chair/2025/7](#) on 3 February 2025. [The Extent Working Group webpage](#) has been updated.

**504.1.3.1 ACTION:** Chair to follow up with Thomas Brenndorfer regarding timetable for Extent proposals.

### **504.1.4 Potential for a Music Working Group**

In the Executive Session group call on 21 January, Renate Behrens led a discussion on the potential for a Music Working Group and there was general enthusiasm amongst RSC members.

**504.1.4.1 ACTION:** Chair and Secretary to add discussion of a potential Music Working Group to the agenda for the April Meeting.

### **504.2 Examples Working Group**

Jessica Grzegorski shared that the current focus of the Examples Working Group is the creation of full examples based on real-world resources. These will be similar to the [full RDA examples](#) currently in the [Learning Resources section of the RDA website](#), but they will be neutral in terms of encoding standards and compiled in a way that simplifies translation for non-English language communities. She also shared future plans to present the same resource across different encoding standards, but there is no deadline attached to these plans yet – they will be enacted after the Working Group has completed the current activity of creating full examples. [The webpage](#) has been updated to reflect the current membership and the Secretary shared a draft update to the charge document which was agreed by the RSC and published as [RSC/Chair/2025/2](#) on 27 January 2025.

### **504.3 Technical Working Group**

Technical Team Liaison Officer Christopher Holden provided an update on the current activities of the Technical Working Group. He shared that with the start of the new year, he has officially taken over the role of Chair of the Technical Working Group from Damian Iseminger. However, Damian remains active as Past Chair and Chris said that he would be relying on his experience as he learned the ropes.

#### **504.3.1 Registry Update**

The latest Registry Release is v5.2.2 (full details at <https://github.com/RDARegistry/RDA-Vocabularies/releases/tag/v5.2.2>). Chris highlighted the inclusion of elements in the object element files with a range of skos:Concept.

### **504.3.2 IFLA's Bibliographic Conceptual Models Review**

The Technical Working Group has been looking at a list of LRM issues identified for review by IFLA's Bibliographic Conceptual Models Review Group. These include some clarifications for the aggregates model and issues regarding how the nomen entity interacts with other entities, and problems with the item location element.

### **504.3.3 expression:duration element**

The Technical Working Group has also recently considered an issue with the expression:duration element brought up by the NLNZ RDA Core Group, which it is hoped will be dealt with by the Extent Working Group.

**504.3.3.1 ACTION:** Technical Team Liaison Officer to liaise with Chair of Extent Working Group

**504.3.3.2 ACTION:** Technical Team Liaison Officer to update Executive Group with response from Chair of Extent Working Group

### **504.3.4 Email update**

Since 1 January 2025 Chris has been receiving emails to [techo@rdatoolkit.org](mailto:techo@rdatoolkit.org).

### **504.3.5 Website and charge document updates**

[The Technical Working Group webpage](#) has been updated to reflect the current membership and the Secretary shared draft updates to the charge documents which were agreed by the RSC and published as [RSC/Chair/2025/3](#) and [RSC/Chair/2025/4](#) on 31 January 2025.

### **504.4 Translations Working Group**

Szabolcs Dancs shared the activities of the Translations Working Group since the December meeting. All translations and reference translations have been progressing (see James Hennelly's comments at [Item 506.5](#) for news of the upcoming Arabic translation). Szabolcs highlighted the Catalan and Dutch translations. There is regular correspondence among the translators, and their next meeting will take place during the [EURIG Meeting in Stockholm, 22-23 May](#). The [Translations Working Group webpage](#) has been updated to reflect the current membership and the Secretary shared a draft update to the charge document which was agreed by the RSC and published as [RSC/Chair/2025/5](#) on 1 February 2025.

### **504.5 Joint RDA Board and RSC/Working Group on Artificial Intelligence**

In her report on the RDA Board's actions regarding Working Groups ([Item 504.1](#)), Renate Behrens shared that at their meeting in December the Board had approved the AI Working Group's White Paper and encouraged the Working Group to continue their work. The Board will be happy to have the draft of the updated terms of reference for the group for their February meeting. Chair of the AI Working Group Ahava Cohen then shared her report.



### 504.5.1 White Paper

Following approval by the Board in December (which followed approval by the RSC in November), [RSC/Papers/2025/1 – Considering AI in the Growth of RDA](#) was published just ahead of the January Meeting ([News announcement](#)). The Board is encouraging translation of the Paper and Arabic and French translations are already being worked on.

### 504.5.2 Terms of Reference

In the Executive Session call on 21 January, Ahava Cohen queried how the updating of the Terms of Reference would be formatted. The Secretary responded that these are contained in the charge document, [RSC/Chair/2024/7](#), and this was due to be updated. The AI Working Group should draft a document that encapsulates their current activities for presentation by the RSC Chair to the RDA Board at its meeting in February. After review and discussion by the Board, it can be presented to the voting members of the RSC, in line with the updated charge documents that were presented for other working groups (RSC/Chair/2025/2-7, Items [504.1.1](#), [504.1.3](#), [504.2](#), [504.3.5](#), [504.4](#)) during this meeting. Although we usually update charge documents in the first meeting of the year, they can be updated as and when required. The moot point for the AI Working Group is that they have completed the main tasks they were given and are ready to move forward. The charge document should simply set out their next actions as agreed by the RSC and RDA Board. Although we reference the archive documents in the Minutes (as these are documents of record with URIs), [the RSC website has a page of current Chair documents](#), which includes brief information when a document is superseded (as well as which document it supersedes) so it is straightforward to track the evolution of a Working Group's charge as they complete tasks and take on their next steps.

- 504.5.2.1 ACTION:** Ahava Cohen and Working Group to draft updated charge document
- 504.5.2.2 ACTION:** Renate Behrens to present updated charge document to RDA Board
- 504.5.2.3 ACTION:** Secretary to assign Chair document number to final draft of charge document for approval by RSC and Board and publication.

### 504.5.3 Future Plans

There was some discussion of the future plans of the AI Working Group, to aid them in formulating their draft updated charge for presentation to the RDA Board ([Item 504.5.2](#)). The results of this discussion will become apparent to the wider RDA community when the updated charge document is published<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Although the RSC has the option to publish restricted Minutes, the current Chair and Secretary prefer instead to simply delay the publication of business confidential information until it is no longer confidential. In this case, the results of the discussion will be apparent in due course when the charge document is published. As well as being published on the Chair Documents webpage and archived to ALAIR, current and superseded charge documents for the AI Working Group are linked from the [AI Working Group webpage](#).

**Public Session****Wednesday 22 January 7-9 pm UTC****505 Live Demo of RDA-DACH Manual – Michaela Edelmann and Mathias Manecke, DNB (Deutsche Nationalbibliothek), invited speakers**

In answer to the demand at the Outreach Day in November, the Chair invited Michaela Edelmann and Mathias Manecke, DNB (Deutsche Nationalbibliothek) to demonstrate the current RDA-DACH Manual. [A recording of the presentation and its following question and answer session is available on the RDA Toolkit YouTube Channel.](#)

**506 Brief updates from RSC Members, and notice of opportunities****506.1 Working Groups**

Renate Behrens stressed that all RSC Working Groups are open for new members<sup>2</sup>. You can contact the chair of each group if interested.

**506.1.1 Task and Finish and Advisory Working Groups****506.1.1.1 Establishment of Advisory Working Groups**

Renate Behrens summarised the introduction of a new class of Working Group – Advisory Working Groups. This was approved by the RDA Board at its December 2024 Meeting, following a request from the RSC, who had discussed the issue of topics that took more than 3 or 4 years to resolve ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 498.1). The Board has approved the establishment of Advisory Working Groups for topics that are considered to be large-scale but finite (i.e. not ongoing topics, for which the Standing Working Group model exists). In its Executive Session, the RSC approved updates to RSC/Operations/1 and RSC/Operations/3 to set out the terms under which Advisory Working Groups will operate ([Item 503](#)) and the Secretary has already updated the [Working Groups pages on the website](#) to include information on Advisory Working Groups.

**506.1.1.1.1 Religions in RDA Working Group**

The Religions in RDA Working Group is now an Advisory Working Group. Its charge document ([RSC/Chair/2025/6](#)) reflects this change ([Item 504.1.1](#)) and [its webpage has been updated accordingly](#).

**506.1.1.1.2 Archives Working Group**

[The Archives Working Group](#) has been established as an Advisory Working Group ([Item 504.1.2](#)).

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<sup>2</sup> The Joint RDA Board / RSC Working Group on Artificial Intelligence is not open, although its Chair Ahava Cohen, is always happy to connect with other experts in AI in cataloguing.

### **506.1.1.2 Extent Working Group**

[The Extent Working Group](#) continues to be a Task and Finish Working Group. Its term has been extended until the end of December 2025. Its charge document ([RSC/Chair/2025/7](#)) has been updated ([Item 504.1.3](#)). Working Group Chair Thomas Brenndorfer is planning next steps following the feedback received during and after the November 2024 Meeting ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 488).

### **506.1.1.3 Potential Music Working Group**

Renate Behrens shared that the RSC will be discussing the possibility of a Music Working Group at its April Meeting ([Item 504.1.4](#)). If this is deemed a good idea and is approved by the Board, a call will be issued for members in due course. As always, <https://www.rdatoolkit.org/rsc/news> is the first place to watch for announcements.

### **506.1.2 Examples Working Group**

Jessica Grzegorski shared the Working Group's recent activities (see [Item 504.2](#) for fuller details). She stressed that the group is open for new members and is an accessible way to get involved with RDA development. [The webpage](#) and charge document ([RSC/Chair/2025/2](#)) have been updated ([Item 504.2](#)) to reflect the current membership.

### **506.1.3 Technical Working Group**

Chris Holden highlighted that he is now Chair of the Technical Working Group and Technical Team Liaison Officer, and that emails to [techo@rdatoolkit.org](mailto:techo@rdatoolkit.org) now reach him instead of Past Chair Damian Iseminger (see [the official announcement on the RSC website](#)). He provided an update of the Group's recent activities (see [Item 504.3](#) for fuller details). Echoing Renate Behrens' call for people to volunteer for Working Groups, Chris encouraged people to contact him if they are interested in joining the Technical Working Group, saying it's a fascinating way to get under the hood of RDA. [The Technical Working Group webpage](#) and charge documents ([RSC/Chair/2025/3](#) and [RSC/Chair/2025/4](#)) have been updated ([Item 504.3](#)) to reflect the personnel changes.

#### **506.1.3.1 Welcome from observers (AOB)**

Towards the end of the Public Session, when the Chair opened the meeting up for AOB (Any Other Business), one of the observers spoke to welcome Chris as Chair of the Technical Working Group. An invitation was issued to meet regarding MARC 21 Mappings (in which the observer has a long-standing involvement) and a query raised about the self-deprecated elements and the longstanding promise by the Past Chair of the Technical Working Group to follow up with respondents to the survey (most recently ([RSC/Minutes/483-499](#) Item 499.2.1)). Damian Iseminger (Past Chair) promised he would be in touch with survey respondents.

**506.1.3.1.1 ACTION:** Damian Iseminger to contact soft-deprecated elements survey respondents before April Meeting.

**506.1.3.1.2 ACTION:** Chair and Secretary to add to agenda for April Meeting

**506.1.3.1.3 ACTION:** Damian Iseminger to report on his conversations with respondents to the soft-deprecated elements survey at the April Meeting.

#### **506.1.4 Translations Working Group**

Szabolcs Dancs shared the recent work of the Translations Team (see [Item 504.4](#) for fuller details). In particular he drew attention to the upcoming translators' meeting, which will take place during the [EURIG Meeting in Stockholm, 22-23 May](#). The [Translations Working Group webpage](#) and charge document ([RSC/Chair/2025/5](#)) have been updated ([Item 504.4](#)) to reflect changes in membership.

#### **506.1.5 Joint RDA Board / RSC Working Group on Artificial Intelligence**

Ahava Cohen highlighted their White Paper, which was approved by the RSC in November and the RDA Board in December. [RSC/Papers/2025/1 – Considering AI in the Growth of RDA](#) was published just ahead of the January Meeting ([News announcement](#)). She thanked the wider RDA cataloguing community for sharing their experience in the survey that the Working Group conducted and gave a brief overview of activities (see [Item 504.1.5](#) for fuller details).

#### **506.2 Education and Orientation Officer**

Elisa Sze shared her screen to show the updated [Learning Resources webpage](#) and highlighted the Resources for Educators section, which includes the [Template RDA Teaching Slides](#) and their accompanying [outline](#). She demonstrated how to download the slides and stressed that educators can use them wholesale or in part and they can change or adapt them as their training / teaching programme needs. In terms of how they have been constructed, there is no expectation to use from beginning to end – rather, educators are expected to pick and choose the slides that suit them. The aim is to make it easy for people to use them, and they are shared with a Creative Commons license. Elisa is continuing to monitor the slides and welcomes feedback and would love to know when people use the slides. She is always happy to chat with educators either one-to-one or in a group. You can get in touch with her at [elisa@rdatoolkit.org](mailto:elisa@rdatoolkit.org)

#### **506.3 Updates from the Regions**

##### **506.3.1 Europe**

EURIG as an organization has been focusing on preparations for its [Annual Meeting, to be held at the National Library of Sweden, 22-23 May 2025](#). The focus will be on entity-based cataloguing and on multi-lingual work, particularly work with multiple scripts, and Ahava Cohen shared the [call for presentation proposals](#) (which closed on 2 February). It is a hybrid meeting, so presenting from outside Sweden is possible.

## **506.3.2 North America**

### **506.3.2.1 Changes in membership**

Robert Maxwell shared that Clara Liao's term as Library of Congress representative has ended, and so NARDAC chose Daniel Paradis (NARDAC French-speaking representative) and Thomas Brenndorfer (Canadian Committee on Cataloguing) as NARDAC Co-Chairs. Clara has been replaced as Library of Congress representative by Trina Soderquist (alongside Melanie Polutta, who has been serving since 2019). The [NARDAC webpage](#) has been updated. Renate Behrens expressed her gratitude on behalf of the RSC for Clara Liao's assistance (along with Judith Cannan) in the local arrangements for the RSC Meeting at the Library of Congress in November 2024.

### **506.3.2.2 Planned activities**

Robert Maxwell reported that ALA's NARDAC representatives (Robert himself and Adam L. Schiff) would be attending CC:DA (Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access)'s online meeting on 6-7 February and reporting on both NARDAC and RSC activities. NARDAC is also planning a Spring Update Forum for mid-April. They are also working on several proposals for RDA revision. He did not have an exact date for when these would be submitted but hopes they will be ready within the next couple of months.

## **506.3.3 Oceania**

Charlotte Christensen reported that having implemented Official RDA, New Zealand National Library Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa has been able to release its training in December (see <https://my.nicheacademy.com/natlib.gov.nz?category=27693>). More will be coming. In Australia a Project Manager has been appointed for the transition to Official RDA. The plan there is that the whole country will transition together. It is expected that ORDAC will receive more ideas and feedback on Official RDA from cataloguers working with the text on a regular basis. Renate Behrens highlighted Charlotte Christensen's presentation at the November Outreach Day on the New Zealand National Library Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa implementation of Official RDA (available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HMdMuhqRZeY> (Charlotte's presentation starts at 01:00:43)). She asked if Charlotte would be willing to give a demonstration at the April Public Session similar to the one on the DACH Region given in January's Public Session. Charlotte said that she was sure that she or a colleague would be happy to do so.

**506.3.3.1 ACTION:** Chair to issue official invitation to speak to New Zealand National Library Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa on Tuesday 8 April at 6pm UTC.

## **506.4 Wider Community Engagement Officer**

Charlene Chou had to regretfully send apologies for the Public Session and asked the Chair and Secretary to let observers know she would send a written report afterwards. In this she shared that she is continuing to collaborate with the National Library of China on translation-related issues for simplified Chinese Scripts and she is also working with the National Central Library

of Taiwan on translation-related issues for traditional Chinese scripts. She also expressed her thanks to Haliza Jailani (RDA Board) for her assistance in outreach to libraries across the world. Charlene is always happy to be first point of contact for anyone working outside Europe, North America and Oceania, and can be contacted at [charlene@rdatoolkit.org](mailto:charlene@rdatoolkit.org) until her second term as WCEO comes to an end on 31 December. She is also happy to hear informally from anyone thinking about applying to be her successor as WCEO. Active recruitment for the role begins soon.

### **506.5 ALA Digital Reference**

James Hennelly shared that the February release of the RDA Toolkit was progressing as planned. He reminded observers that this year there will be three releases, and that each will begin with the English version and then other languages will follow. This change reflects the number of translations which now need to be updated in each release. There will be more translations coming on stream this year, including Arabic, which will be a landmark as the first non-Roman script included in the Toolkit. There is also a significant growth in the number and range of RDA Reference translations and ALA Digital Reference is very excited about supporting Internationalization of RDA in this way. Other work planned for 2025 includes supporting the Examples Working Group (see [Item 504.2](#)) and updating the [Accessibility Report on the Toolkit](#).

### **Executive Session 2**

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### **507 AOB (Any Other Business) and thanks from the Chair**

#### **507.1 Wikipedia article on RDA**

Robert Maxwell spotted that [the entry for Resource Description and Access on Wikipedia](#) is grossly out of date. As an educator, he was concerned for any confusion this may be causing. Given that Wikipedia discourages organizations from updating entries about themselves, the RSC discussed where to report this. In her day job Ahava Cohen is involved with the Wikimedia + Librarians User Group and was able to report the out-of-date entry to the Wikimedia + Libraries User Group Steering Committee. Renate Behrens thanked Ahava for her knowledge and ability to report the issue to the appropriate body.

#### **507.2 AOB in the Public Session**

This has been recorded in the Minutes of the appropriate Item ([506.1.3.1](#)).

#### **507.3 Thanks from the Chair**

In the Public Session, Renate Behrens thanked observers and the invited speakers, Michaela Edelmann and Mathias Manecke. In the Executive Session, she thanked members of the RSC for their attendance and their continued hard work.

Approved by the RSC, 6 March 2023.