

The Research Data Alliance (RDA) builds the social and technical bridges to enable the open sharing and re-use of data.

The Research Data Alliance (RDA) was launched as a community-driven initiative in 2013 by the European Commission, the United States Government's National Science Foundation and National Institute of Standards and Technology, and the Australian Government's Department of Innovation with the goal of building the social and technical infrastructure to enable open sharing and re-use of data.

RDA has a grass-roots, inclusive approach covering all data lifecycle stages, engaging data producers, users and stewards, addressing data exchange, processing, and storage. It has succeeded in creating the neutral social platform where international research data experts meet to exchange views and to agree on topics including social hurdles on data sharing, education and training challenges, data management plans and certification of data repositories, disciplinary and interdisciplinary interoperability, as well as technological aspects.

The RDA Foundation provides the core business operations of RDA and represents RDA globally. [Learn more.](#)

The RDA Vision and Mission

- The RDA Vision: Researchers and innovators openly share data across technologies, disciplines, and countries to address the grand challenges of society.
- The RDA Mission: RDA builds the social and technical bridges that enable open sharing and re-use of data.

RDA Working and Interest Groups

RDA addresses the need for open and interoperable sharing of research data and builds the social, technical and cross-disciplinary links to enable such sharing on a global scale.

RDA Members come together through focused [Working Groups and Interest Groups](#), formed by experts from all around the world - from academia, private sector and government. Participation in RDA is open to anyone who agrees to its [guiding principles](#) of openness, consensus, balance and harmonisation, with a community-driven, non-profit approach.

RDA Recommendations and outputs

[RDA Outputs](#) are the technical and social infrastructure solutions developed by RDA Working Groups or Interest Groups that enable data sharing, exchange, and interoperability. They have an important impact on:

- Solving data sharing problems
- Adoption in infrastructure environments by individuals, projects and organisations

To improve global data sharing, exchange and interoperability, RDA works on raising awareness and expanding the

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adoption of these outputs across all regions of the world.

RDA in a Nutshell

With more than 9,600 members from 137 countries (January 2020), RDA provides a neutral space where its members can come together through focused global Working and Interest Groups to develop and adopt infrastructure that promotes data-sharing and data-driven research, and accelerate the growth of a cohesive data community that integrates contributors across domain, research, national, geographical and generational boundaries. You can find a brief introduction to the RDA with links to further information on the RDA Web site [here](#).

Some statistics on our members

Watch this space for updated statistics on the RDA Membership issued on a monthly basis. [Discover More](#)

In addition to the membership, both individual and organisational, details you can also find general information on the Research Data Alliance. You are encouraged to use and integrate the RDA in a Nutshell slides if you would like to present details on RDA.

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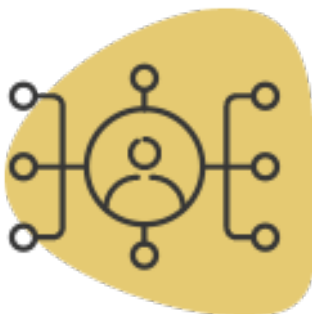
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