To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
From: Gordon Dunsire, Chair, JSC  
Subject: JSC Places Working Group: 2015 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.  
2. Liaise with the JSC Technical Working Group on issues of element analysis, linked data modelling and categorization relevant to places.  
3. Liaise with the JSC Jurisdiction Task Group on the treatment of jurisdiction as place.  
4. Review RDA instructions for places in an international context and develop proposals for improvement.  
5. Make recommendations for the development of RDA Chapter 27 (Related places) and Appendix L (Relationship designators: Relationships between concepts, objects, events, and places).

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/TechnicalWG/4 Court and Jurisdiction in RDA (http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/6JSC-TechnicalWG-4.pdf)