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| **RDA TIGER**  **Support Services Application Form** |
| **About the RDA TIGER Open calls**  RDA TIGER provides different support services for the Working Groups (WGs) within the Research Data Alliance (RDA). These include Facilitation Support as well as a range of Financial Support mechanisms for existing WGs. Apply for all these mechanisms via this form. The project supports WGs that concretely align, harmonise and standardise Open Science developments and technologies globally.  For more information about the project and services please visit the dedicated [RDA TIGER webpage](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-tiger) on the RDA website.  This open call is seeking applications from existing or potential Research Data Alliance (RDA) Working Groups (WGs) that wish to receive RDA TIGER support for their WG activities. The call will be continuously open and has four selection rounds per year. Each round has a deadline by which the applications must be submitted in order to be reviewed. The deadline for applications for this selection round is Friday 31 May 2024, 23:59 CEST.  More information on the Call and further scheduled review times can be found on the [RDA website](https://www.rd-alliance.org/open-call-rda-working-group-facilitation-support).  **Eligibility Criteria**  Applications should come from individuals on behalf of an existing or potential WG. Applications can come from any member of the WG regardless of the country where they are based. Individuals from the RDA TIGER consortium can be members of an RDA WG but cannot actively apply for RDA TIGER support.  For those applying for new WG support, RDA community members that apply should highlight that they have (i) a concrete idea for a WG, and (ii) community support. For example, members may have held a Birds of a Feather (BoF) session at an RDA Plenary and have decided to proceed with the creation of a WG, or may be in the initial stages of establishing a WG. If you are unsure of whether you qualify to receive support from RDA TIGER please contact [**RDATIGERInfo@rd-alliance.org**](mailto:RDATIGERInfo@rd-alliance.org).  **Form Instructions**  Please follow the instructions provided in each section, and complete only the relevant section of the form depending on the type of application you are submitting and whether your WG is new or existing:   * Section A must be completed by ALL applicants. * Sections B.1 and B.2 must be completed by all NEW Working Groups applying for Support Services provided by RDA TIGER personnel. * Section B.2 must be completed by EXISTING Working Groups applying for Support Services provided by RDA TIGER personnel (existing Groups do not need to complete section B.1). * Section C must be completed by ALL Groups (new and existing) applying for support for hiring external experts for the Working Group.   Please ensure that you complete all relevant parts of the applicable section of this form in full and return to [**RDATIGERCalls@rd-alliance.org**](mailto:RDATIGERCalls@rd-alliance.org)**.** |
| **Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory** |

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| **Section A. General Information**  **All candidates are required to complete this section.** | | |
| **\*Initial or Resubmitted application** | Choose an item. | |
| **\*Application Type** | Choose an item. | |
| **Applicant details** | | |
| **\*Name** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **\*Affiliation** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **\*Email** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **\*Country** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **\*Brief history of your involvement in RDA** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **WG details** | | |
| **\*Is this application regarding an existing WG?** | Choose an item. | |
| **Please indicate the name of the WG in question (if existing) or the intended WG name (if new).** | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **WG Outputs** | | |
| **\***Describe the WG output(s) expected connection to a significant advancement in one or more of the following areas. Select all that apply from the list below (A-E). Describe the most pertinent one in detail (choose only one to detail), with a maximum of 150 words per item. | | |
| 1. Creating mechanisms and tools for creation, sharing, management and re-use of research outputs (e.g. data, software, publications, workflows, protocols, and methodologies);   *(Maximum 150 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| 1. Facilitating scientific multidisciplinary cooperation;   *(Maximum 150 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| 1. Efficient handling or providing seamless access to large volumes of research outputs;   *(Maximum 150 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| 1. Increasing FAIRness, openness and quality of scientific research in Europe and globally;   *(Maximum 150 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| 1. Creating meaningful monitoring and research evaluation mechanisms, enabling better reproducibility, validation and re-use of research outputs, or improving pathways for communication of science to the public.   *(Maximum 150 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **Impact** | | |
| **\***Describe the WG output(s)’ expected connection to one or more of the following areas. Select all that apply from the list below (A-C). Describe the most pertinent one in detail (choose only one to detail), with a maximum of 150 words for this item. | | |
| * 1. Supporting the Open Science principles (e.g., [FAIR Principles](https://doi.org/10.1038/sdata.2016.18), [CARE Principles](https://www.gida-global.org/care), [TRUST Principles](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-community-effort-trust-principles-digital-repositories), or as defined in the ‘Areas of Action’ on p20 of [UNESCO Open Science Recommendations](https://www.unesco.org/en/open-science/about?TSPD_101_R0=080713870fab200067905a438ba150db21640e426d5bfe0d0b9bda233a1f6067878f4ee83c8f27bd082f81b331143000b8d5de5263b27146170345dc4878b7d6f115c01b4922992b390ec678c0b65cb4855882aeddcf0c34739964f427891800#:~:text=Open%20science%20is%20a%20set,and%20society%20as%20a%20whole).   *(Maximum 150 words)* | | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| * 1. Strategic goals outlined in the [RDA’s current strategic plan;](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-strategic-plan-2024-2028/) Please refer here to the ‘Strategic Goals’ on p14.   *(Maximum 150 words)* | | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| * 1. The European Open Science Cloud (EOSC), i.e., the WG is expected to create output(s) that have a clear connection to EOSC. This may include internationalisation or standardisation of existing EOSC outputs and/or creating new outputs that respond to an [EOSC priority](https://www.eosc.eu/sria-mar). Please refer here to the ‘Implementation Challenges’ on p96 of the SRIA.   *(Maximum 150 words)* | | Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **Section B. Support Services for the Working Groups provided by the RDA TIGER personnel**  Complete this section if you are applying for RDA TIGER Services under this category. Details on the Support Services can be found [on the RDA website](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-tiger-services).  Candidates applying for a new WG must complete sections B.1. and B.2.  Candidates applying for an existing WG must complete section B.2 | | | |
| **B.1 Application Information (new WGs)**  Complete this section if you are applying for a WG not yet in the RDA process. | | | |
| **\*Description**  Briefly outline the purpose of the proposed or existing or proposed WG and describe its planned outputs.  *(Maximum 200 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| **\*International connectivity**  RDA WGs are expected to have broad international membership, including European and non-European individuals. Please provide details on the current or potential membership and leadership (co-chairs) of the WG.  *(Maximum 200 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| **\*Implementation (#1)**  Explain how the WG will meet its aims and objectives and deliver its outputs.  *(Maximum 300 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| **\*Implementation (#2)**  Detail how the WG will add value to existing work in the RDA and contribute with major European and non-European initiatives and include experts relevant to the output creation.  *(Maximum 300 words)* | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| **B.2 Statement of Intent**  This section should be completed by applicants referring to both new and existing WGs. | | | |
| Please provide a statement outlining your motivation for applying for the Support Services Grant. Explain what you hope to get out of the RDA TIGER Support Services provided by TIGER personnel. What value will RDA TIGER add to your WG?  *(Maximum 300 words)* | | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Have you read the [Support Services descriptions](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-tiger-services) on the RDA website? | | I have read the [Support Services descriptions](https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-tiger-services). | |
| Have you read the [RDA TIGER Service agreement?](https://www.rd-alliance.org/service-agreement-facilitation-rda-tiger-supported-working-group-wg) | | I have read the [RDA TIGER service agreement](https://www.rd-alliance.org/service-agreement-facilitation-rda-tiger-supported-working-group-wg). | |
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| **Section C. Support for hiring external experts for the Working Group**  Complete this section if your WG requires specific expertise, or a role is needed which RDA TIGER personnel cannot cover.  Examples include (but are not limited to) hiring experts to conduct data collection, interviews, analysis, graphical design, authoring and editing large documents, conducting test-adoption of the Working Group outputs, or creating a test platform or a demonstrator of the WG output(s).  **Note**: Depending on the type of activity requested, the RDA TIGER team may be able to provide the funds directly to the expert, OR work together with the WG members to create an open call in the EU Grants Platform. In the latter case, the open call will be published widely for organisations to apply to provide this action for the WG. When applying for funds under section C, please bear in mind that if an open call is required, there will be a significant waiting time (several months) from the initial application to the final provision of this type of grant, due to the open nature of finding suitable organisations to provide these activities. It is therefore recommended that applications for support for external actions are submitted as early as possible in a Working Group’s life. | | | |
| 1. **Description**   Briefly outline the purpose of the required expertise. Describe the type of task and expertise needed and outline its scope and extent.  If you have someone in mind that can perform this task, please provide their contact details here.  For the larger grants (e.g., adoption grants or demonstrators) explain how these are envisaged (e.g., amount, what they will achieve).  *(Maximum 200 words)* | | | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. **Impact on the WG**   Briefly outline the expected impact and importance of the proposed additional work in the context of the expected WG outputs and the overall landscape in which the WG operates.  Please note that grants with significant importance to the WG success (or impact) are prioritised, as well ones which push the overall WG subject areas beyond the current state-of-art.  What is the impact on your WG output?  *(Maximum 500 words)* | | | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. **Approximate timeline and effort**   If known, please indicate a rough timeline of the expected work, and if possible, provide some indication of the scope, budget, and extent of the work. This information helps the RDA TIGER to evaluate the resource needs for this application. Please ensure you have considered the time remaining in the lifetime of WG. | | | Click or tap here to enter text. |