A Report on the Research Data Alliance Plenary in March 2013

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The RDA and its Launch

- The Research Data Alliance (RDA) is a newly formed organization to accelerate and facilitate research data sharing and exchange globally – using Internet constructs. Often the datasets are very large.
- Individual membership like the IETF is planned
- The RDA launch happened in Sweden in March 2013
  - Over 200 people from 31 countries attended

More RDA information here http://rd-alliance.org/

The Workgroups and What's Next

These are some of the workgroups and special interest groups
- PID Information Types ; UPC Code for Data ;
- Data Type Registries ; Metadata ;
- Publishing Data ; Data Foundation and Terminology ;
- Practical Policy ; Legal Interoperability ;
- Defining Urban Data Exchange for Science ; The Engagement Group ;
- Marine Data Harmonization ; Repository Audit and Certification ;
- Preservation e-Infrastructure ; Contextual Metadata ;
- Community Capability Model ; Big Data Analytics

More information : http://rd-alliance.org/working-groups/current-candidate-groups/

The second plenary will be in the National Academy of Sciences in Washington DC in September 2013