Towards a new Ramsar Sites Information Service

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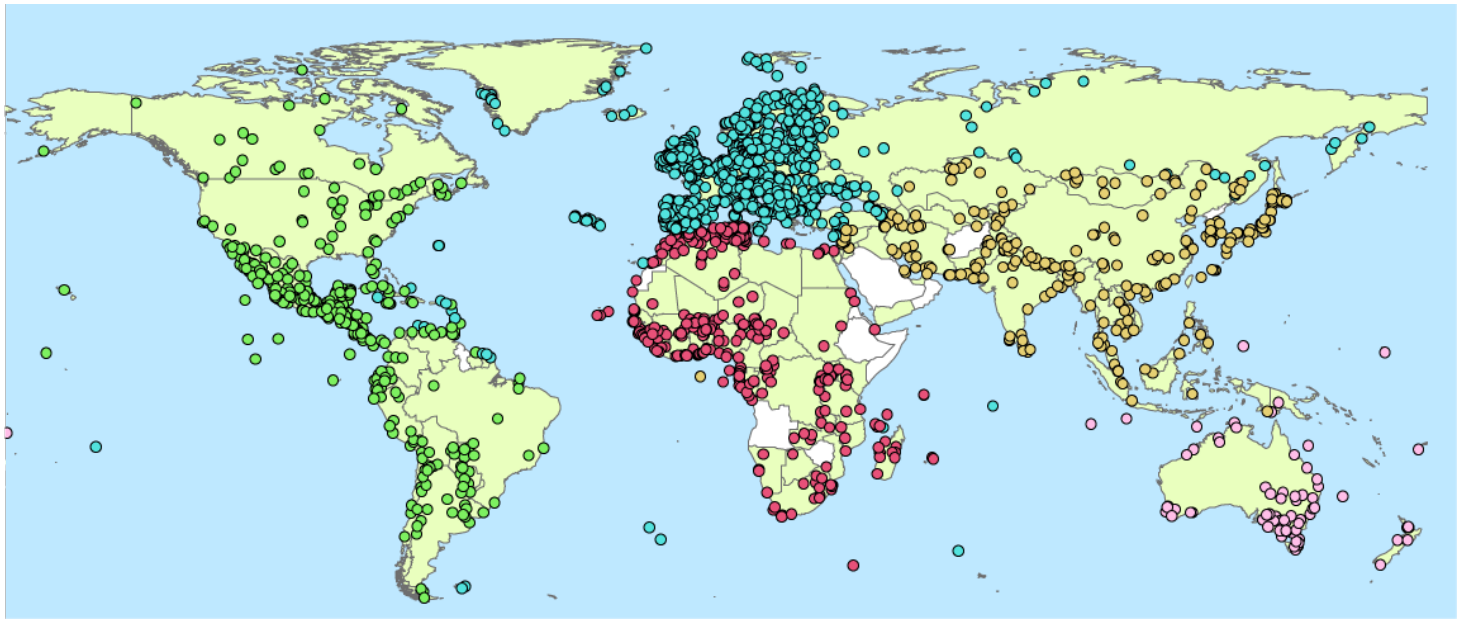

Alexia Dufour
Regional Affairs Officer

A top priority...

... Ramsar core business

... Ramsar shop window

... Resolution XI.8

"The COP INSTRUCTS the Secretariat to implement the terms of Resolution VIII.13 (2002) para. 11 regarding upgrading the functionality of the RSDB to allow the **on-line electronic submission of RISs** by Contracting Parties and, in particular, to ensure that the RSDB **captures all data and information** provided by Contracting Parties"

The success depends on ALL OF US!

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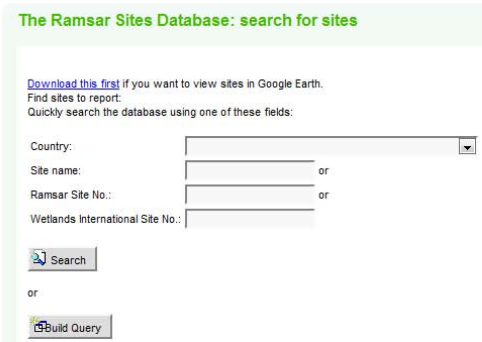

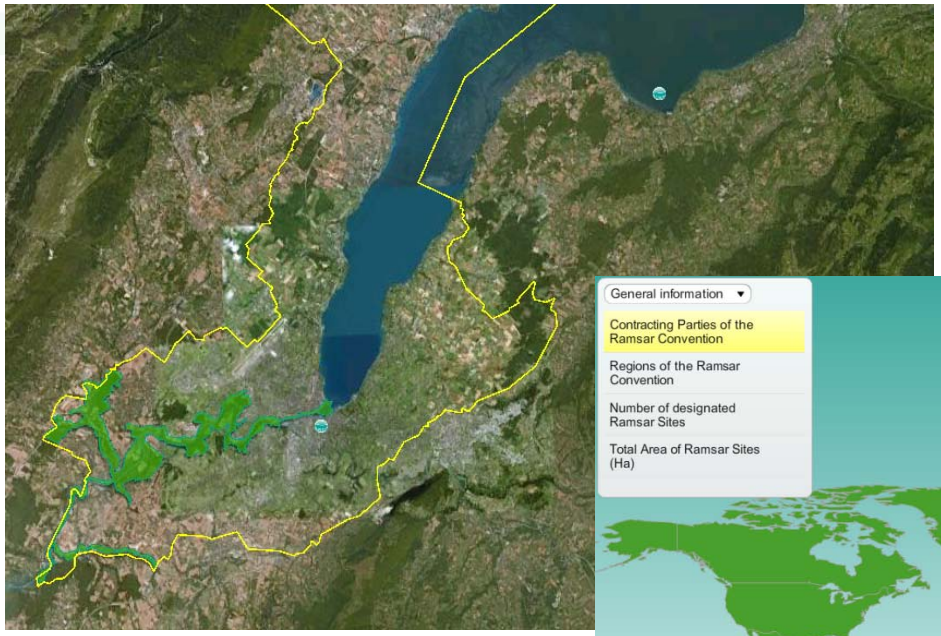

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Our data house tomorrow?

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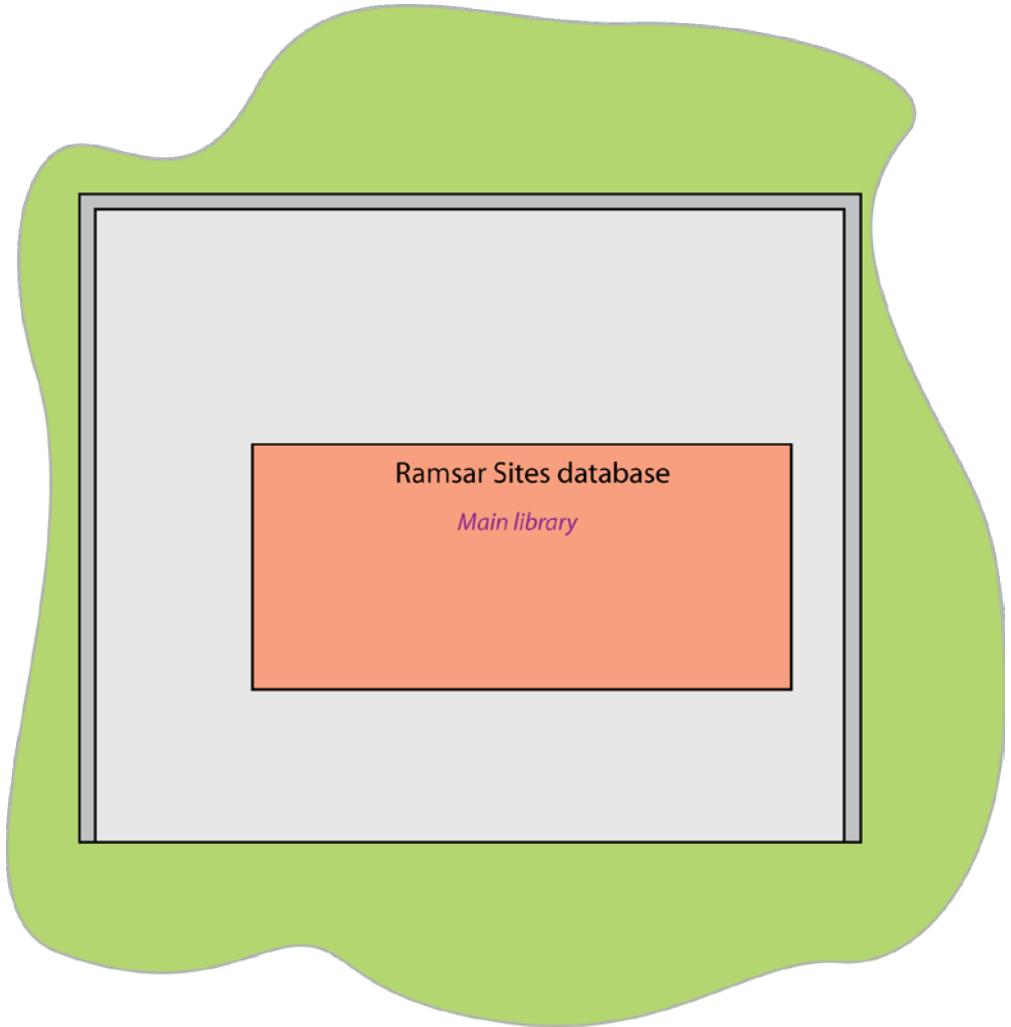

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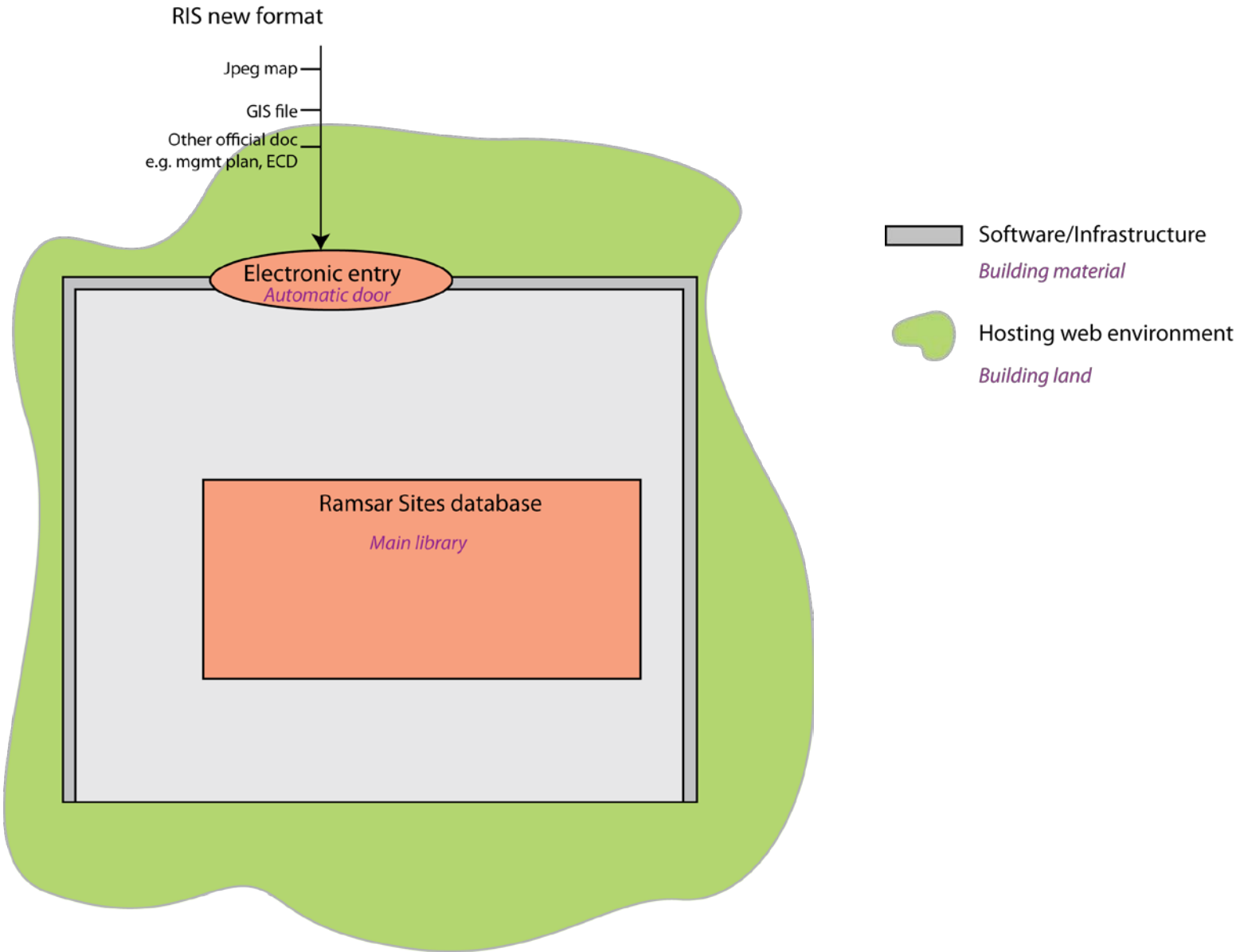

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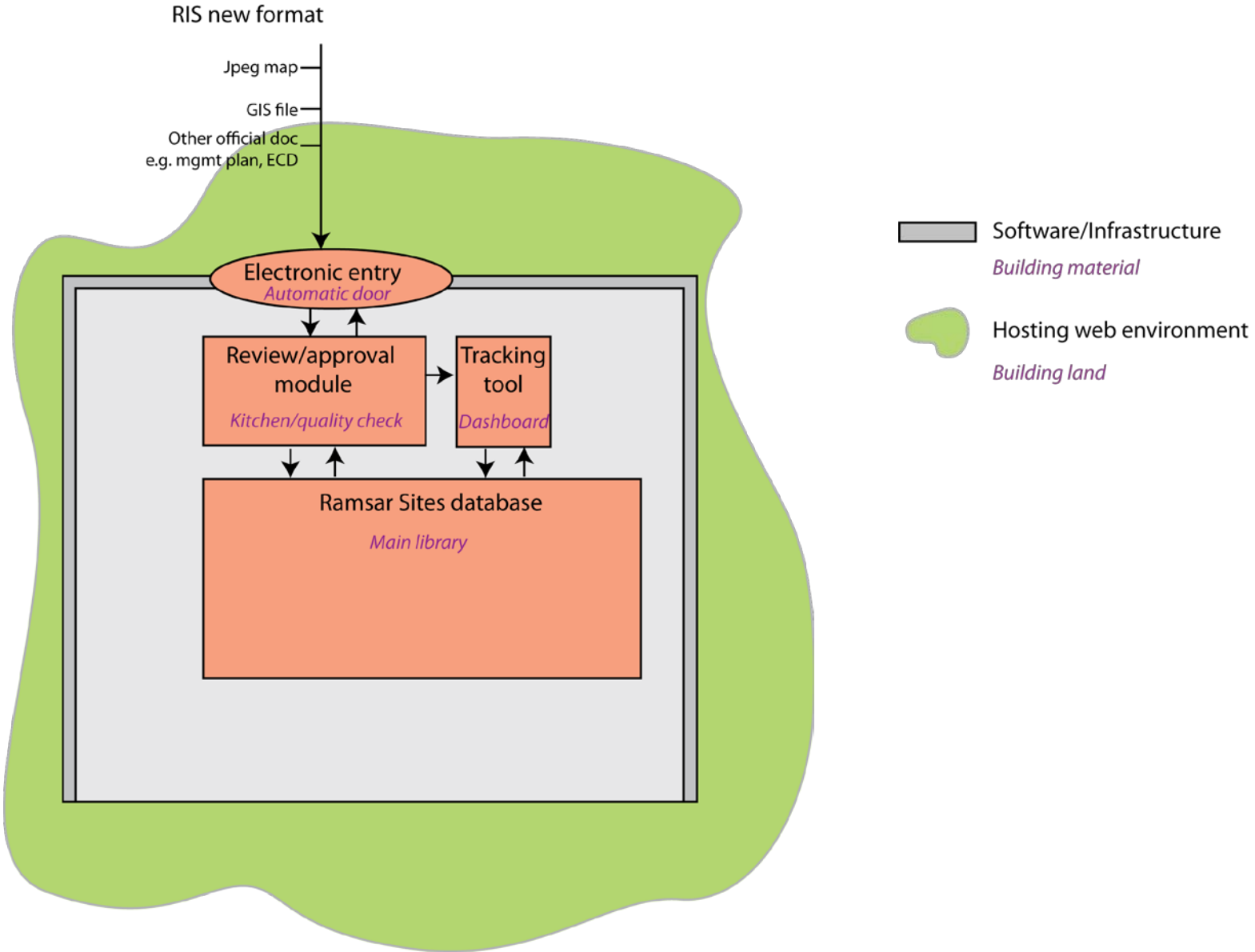

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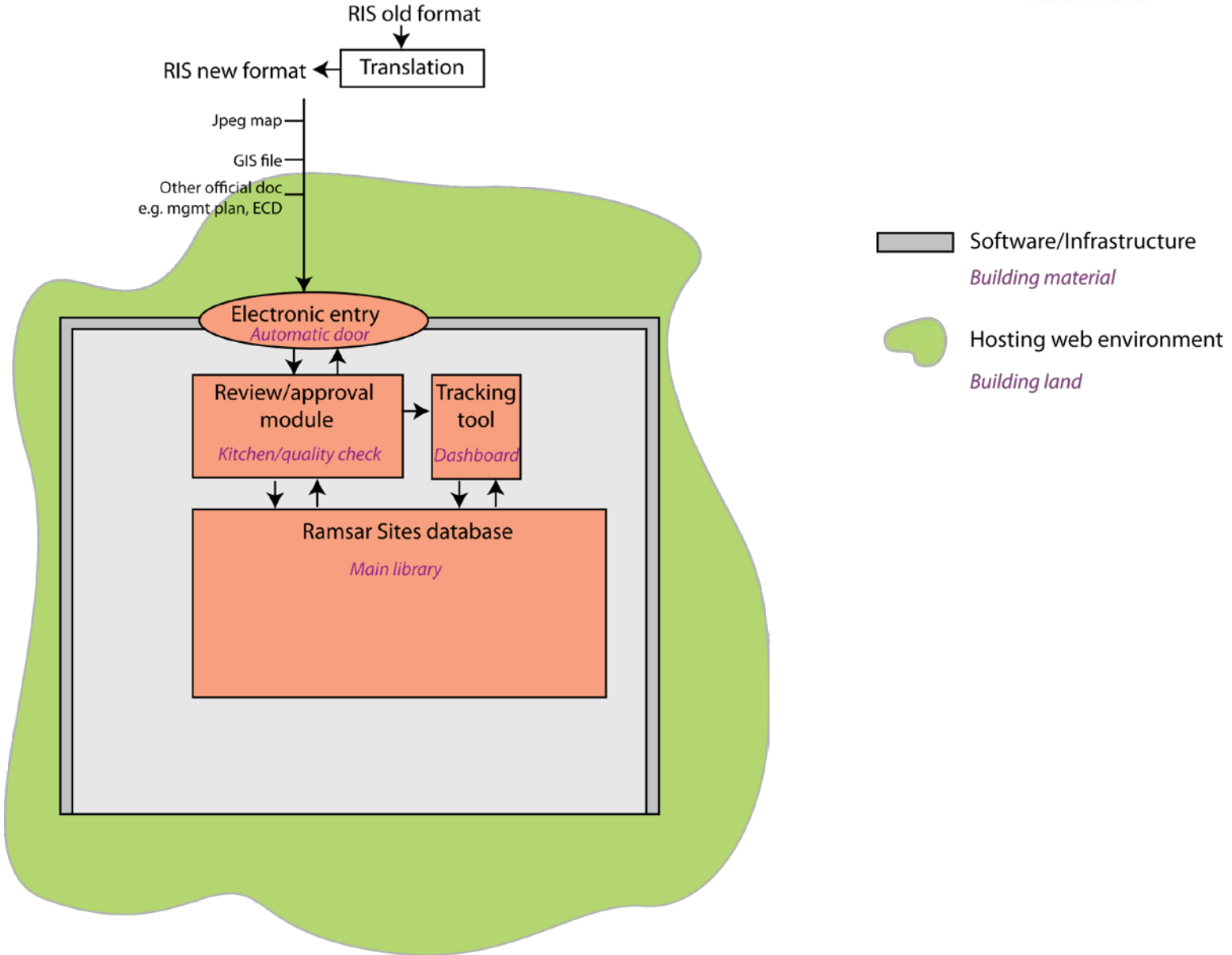

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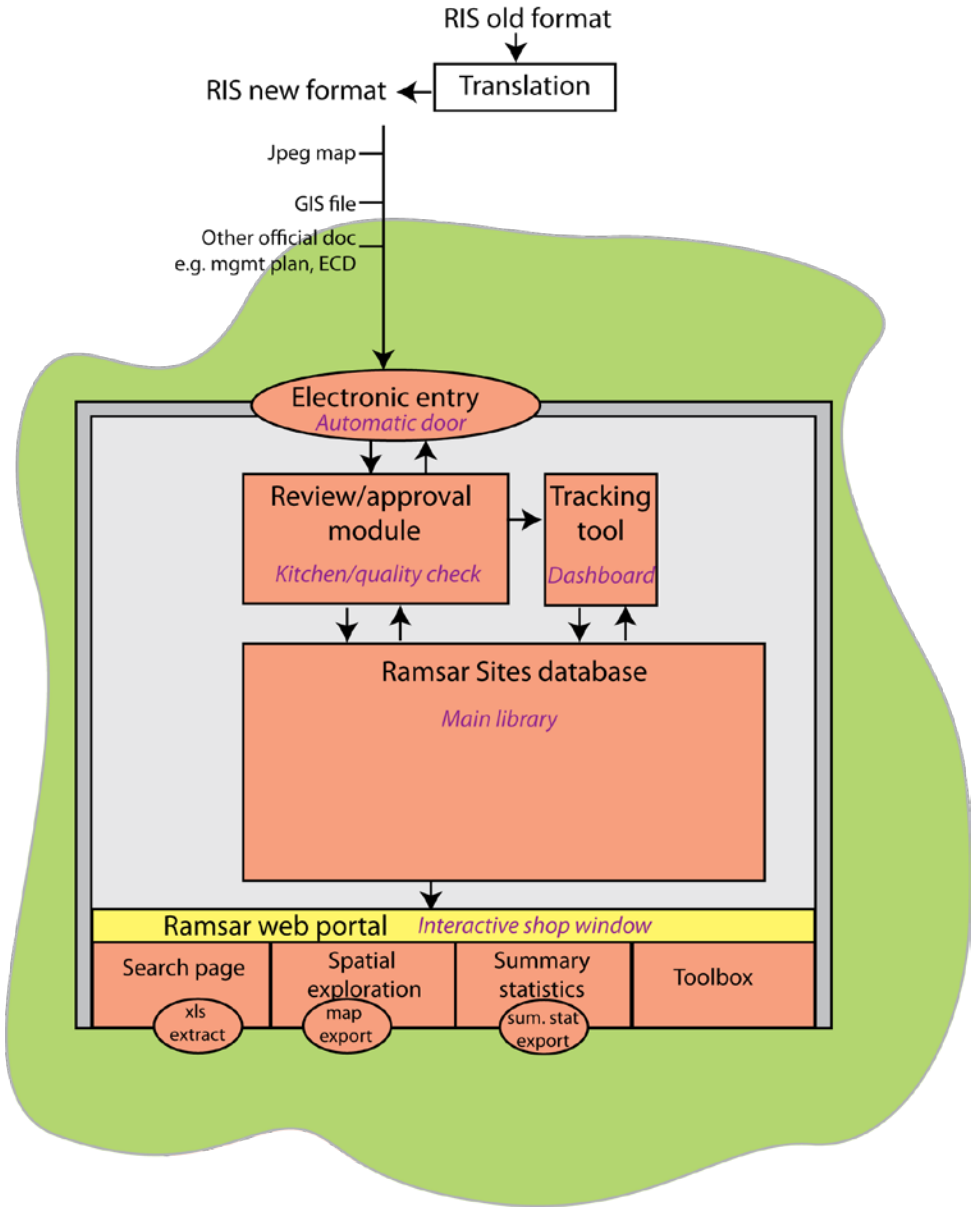

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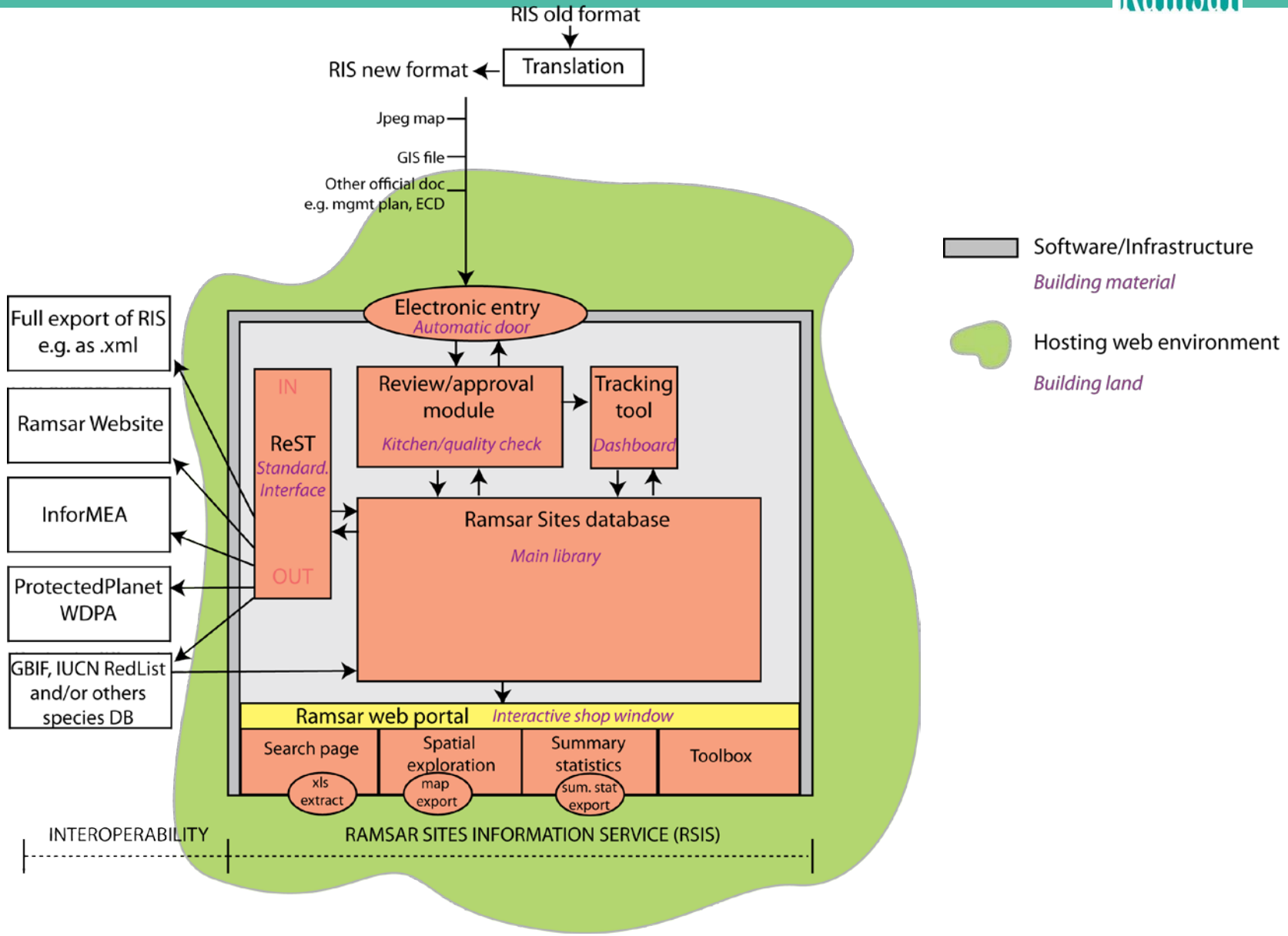

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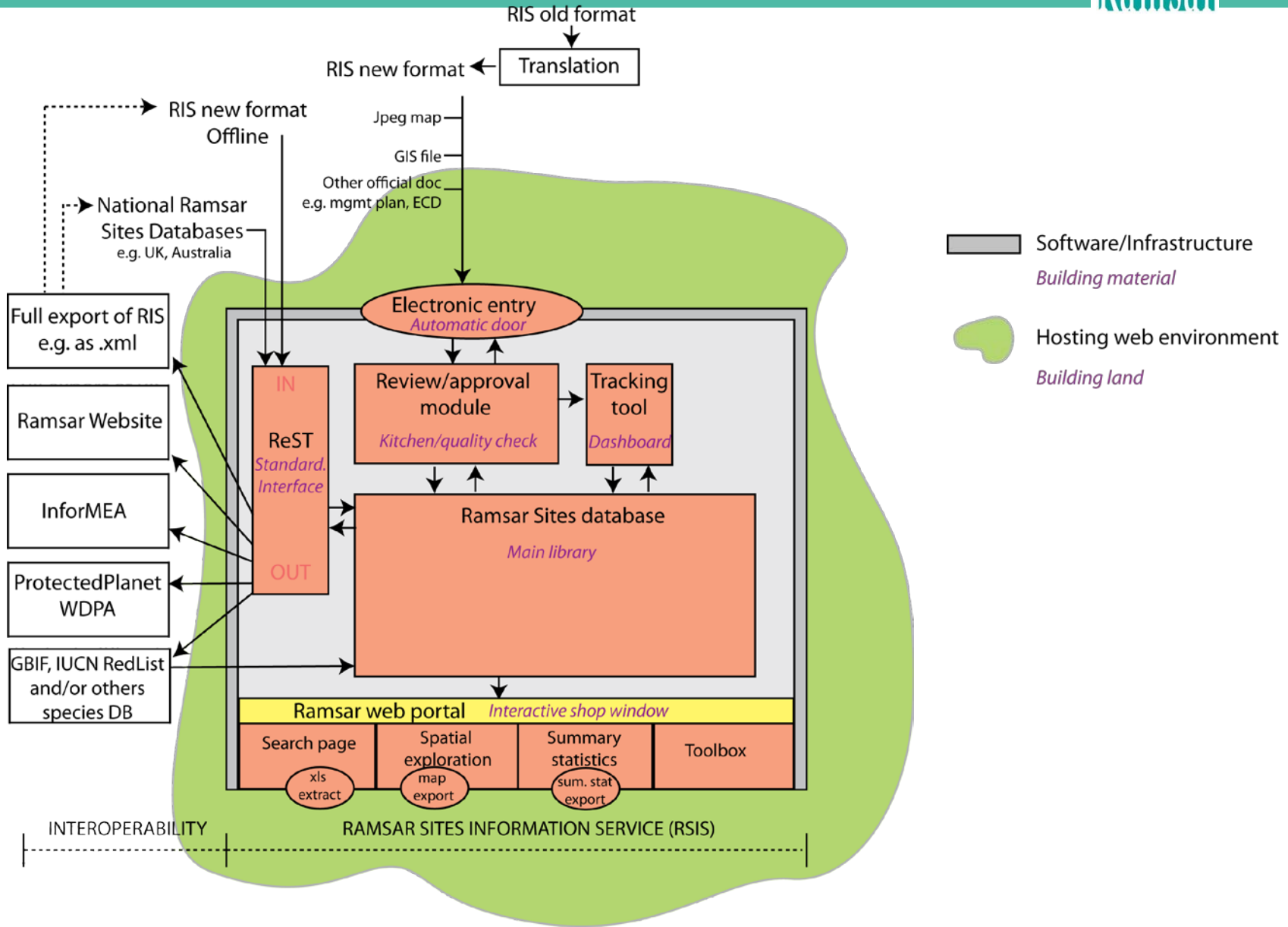

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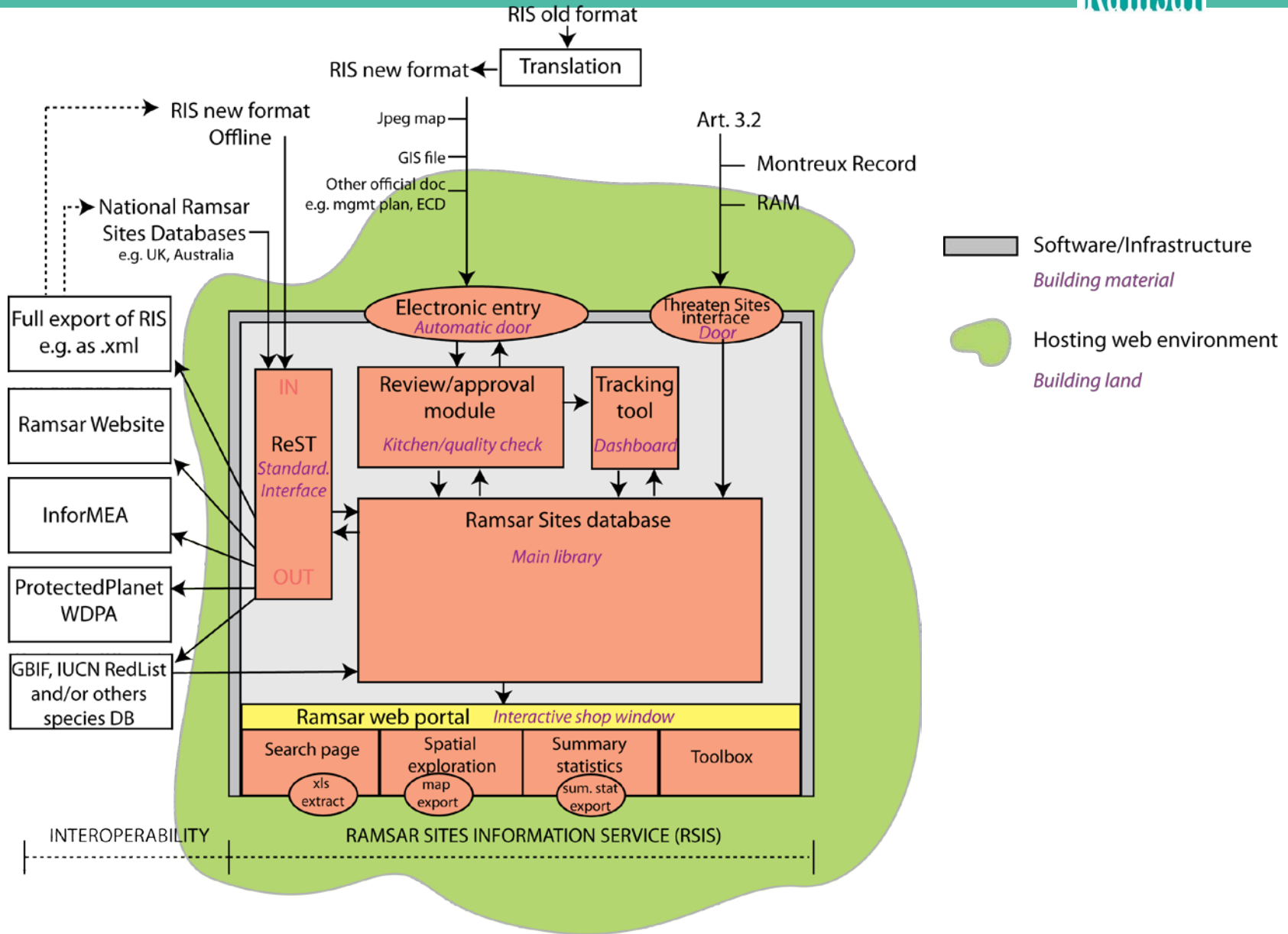

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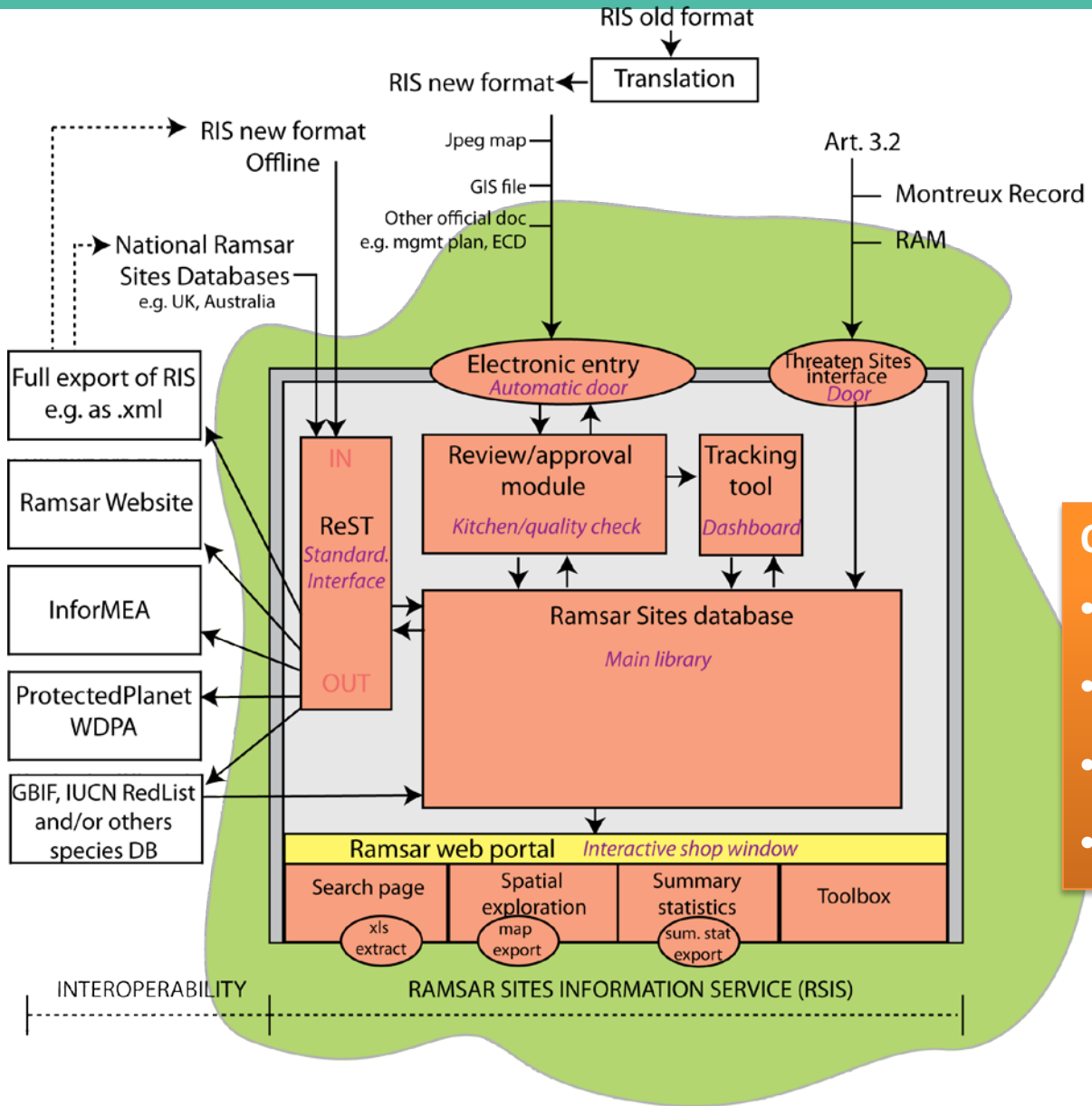
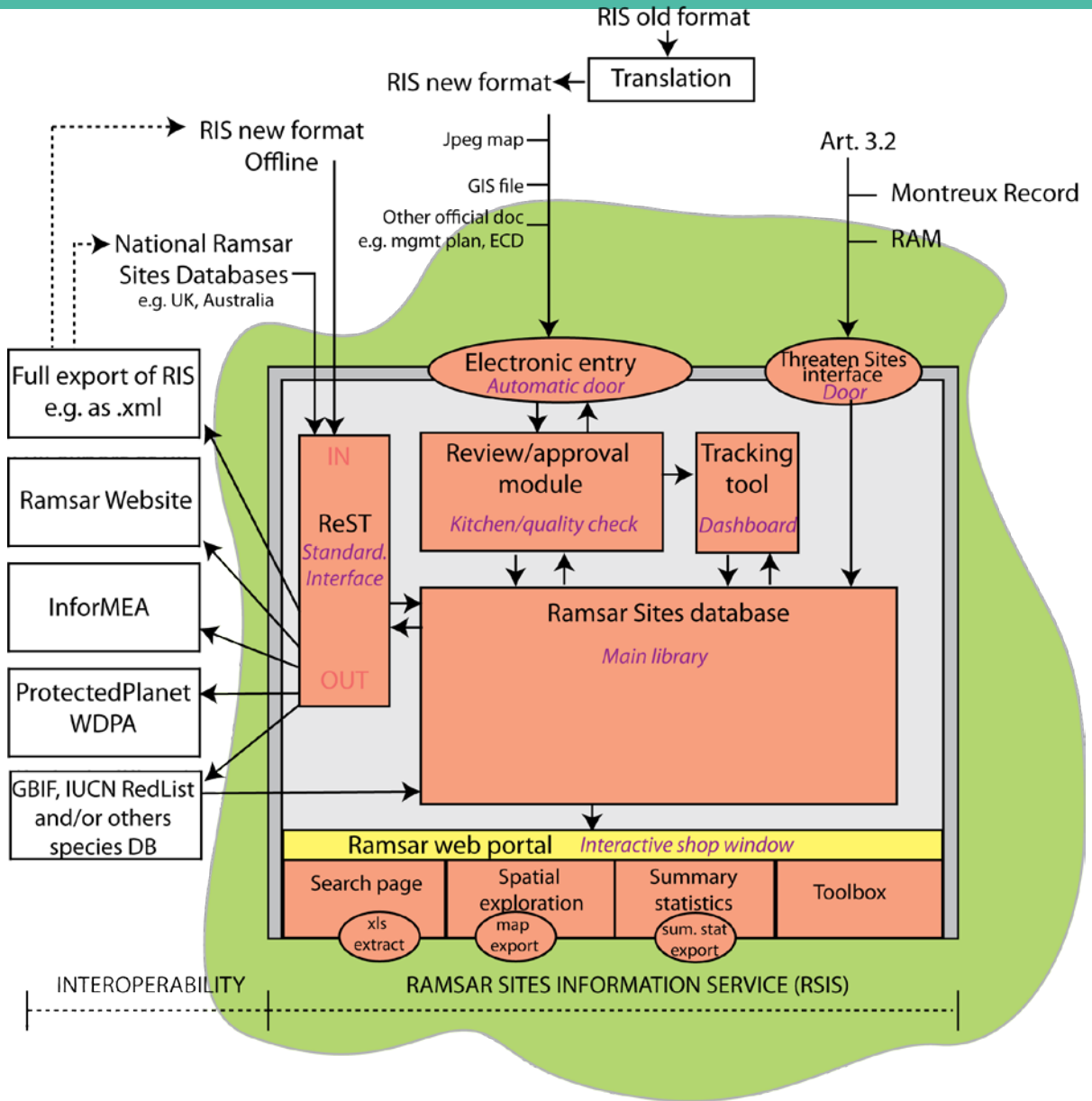


Ramsar Sites
designation and update!

OUT OF SCOPE OF THE PROJECT:

- GWOS
- Nat. Inventory DB
- Fine scale management planning
- Ramsar national reports

The project team



Project team:
Ramsar Secretariat

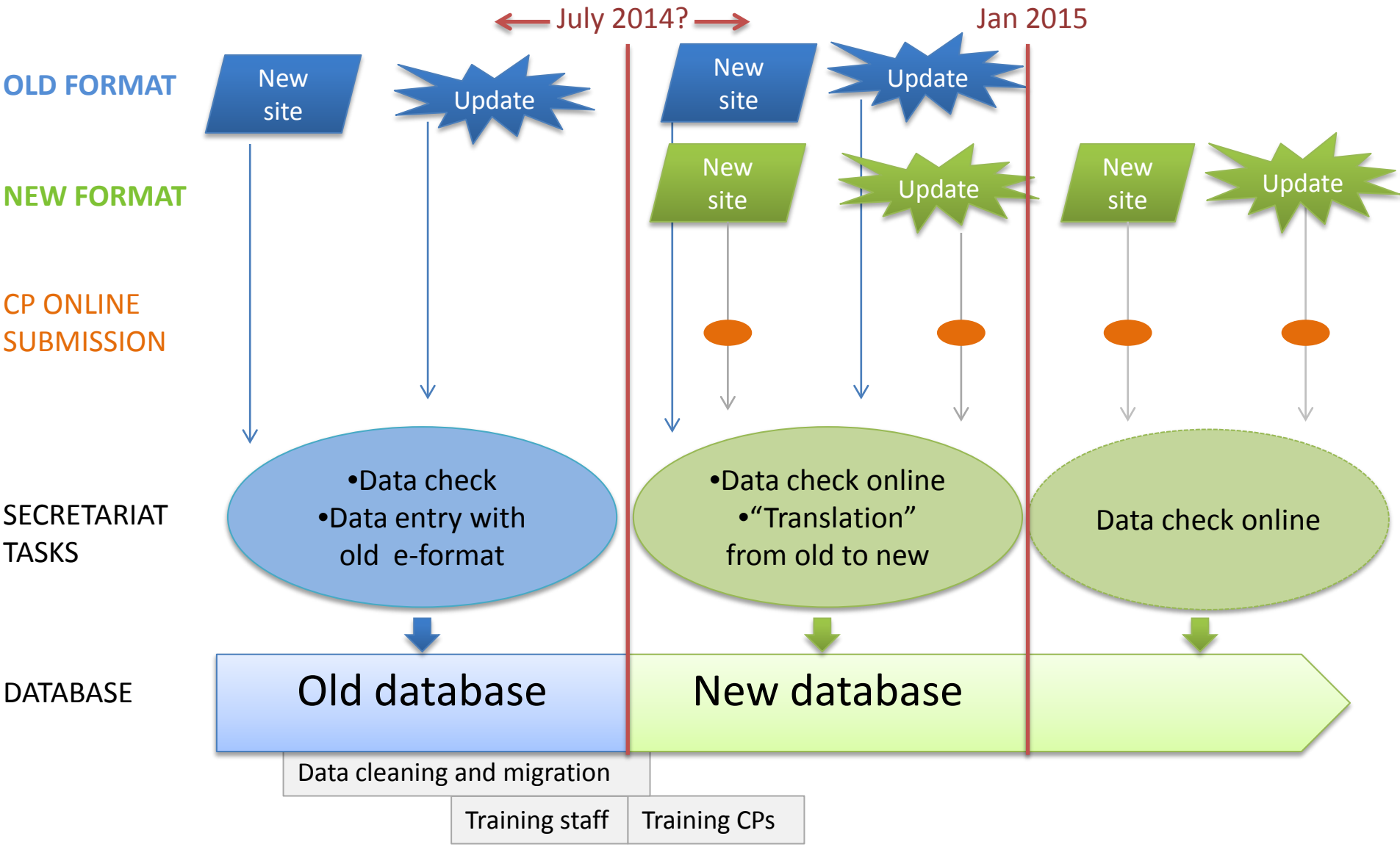
Core leading team:
SG, DSG, FO, RAO

Project manager:
RAO

Implementer:
To be defined

Wetlands International:
Crucial role

Broad implications for RS process



Where are we today?

Project definition

- Definition of specifications
- Finalization of cost and additional fundraising

Who?

- Dissemination of the Call for Tenders
- Identification of implementer(s)
- Contract with selected implementer(s)

Implementation phase

- Review/approval module (kitchen)
- Hosting/technology
- Design of the new Ramsar Sites Database (Main library)

Thanks for your attention!

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