Society of RSE and hidden REF

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Term RSE Coined	First RSE Group	First RSE Workshop	UK RSE founded	First RSE fellowships	First RSE Conference	Society of RSE founded	Mentorship programme launched	14 trustees
2012		2013	2014	2015	2016	2019	2021	2023

de RSE
netherlands eScience center

RSE NORDIC

<ReSA>
Research Software Alliance

RSE
RSE-AUNZ

US RSE
us-rse.org
US Research Software Engineer Association

RSE
SOCIETY OF RESEARCH SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Working Groups

Communications & Publicity

- Attract contributions from the community

- Free mailing list with 1200+ subscribers

- X (twitter!) announcements to 7000+ followers

- Website: events, community news, RSE groups, case studies and job listings

- Online slack workspace, 5000 members in over 120 channels:

National RSE Groups

Regional RSE groups

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RSE Midlands	Scot RSE (inc. CERSE (Edinburgh)
RSE South	Northern Ireland
Northern England RSEs	N8 CIR
RSE East England	Supercomputing Wales
RSLondon	

Events and Initiatives Grant

In summary the objectives of the RSE society are

- To advance education particularly but not exclusively amongst research software engineers; and/or

- To promote and advance research particularly but not exclusively in all aspects of research that relies on software engineering and to publish the useful results

Mentoring Scheme

- 25 pairs completed in 2022

- 20 pairs completed in 2023

- 29 pairs are currently working together in the 2024 cohort

- Runs for 6 months, meeting every 4-6 weeks. Society provides a training session for both parties plus check ins and de-briefs

Membership (£20 per year)

Number of members
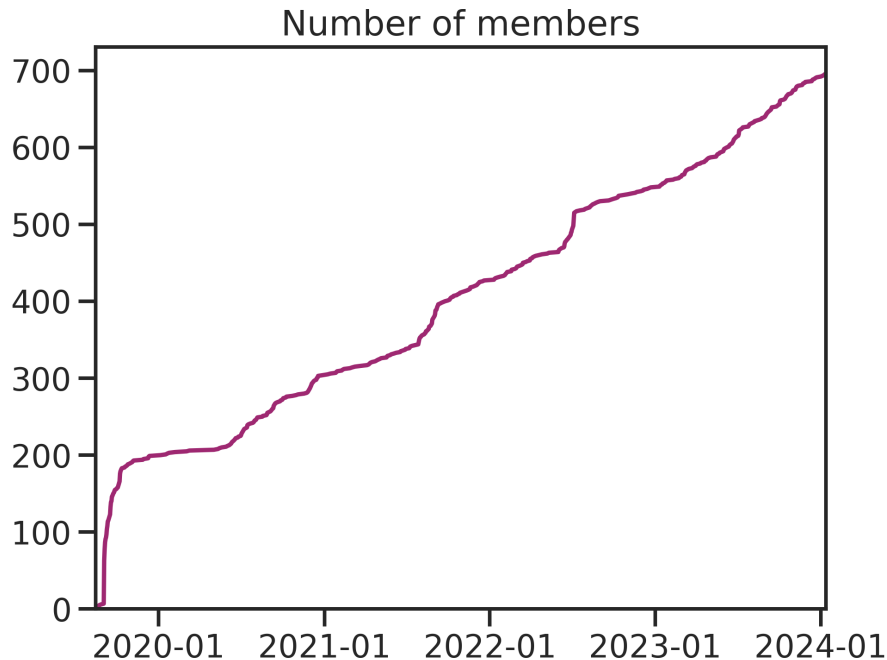
Benefits

- Access to events & initiatives fund
- Discounted access to annual conference
- Eligibility to vote and stand for election
- Apply for the mentor scheme

Annual Conference

rsecon24.society-rse.org

- Themes: Nine proposed principles of research software development
- Why attend
    - Build skills
    - Build profile
    - Build network
    - Build career

Helping your team

FAIR
Reusable by as many users as possible

Secure
Respect data privacy and assume attacks

Maintainable
Easy to adapt and to correct faults

Helping your peers

Reproducible
Enable trust in research

Recognition
Reward all roles and develop the next generation

Inclusive
Accessible and supportive of a broad community

Helping the world

Responsible
Build to reduce impact on our environment

Open & Global
Transcend national and discipline boundaries

Humanist
Unbiased, ethical and in support of humanity

RSE CON 24

Research
Software
Engineering
Conference

Save the date!
03-05 Sept 2024
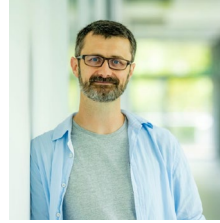Newcastle, UK

Open calls
- Volunteers
- mentors
- Emerging voice plenary

How you can get involved!

- Become a member
- Sign up to the mailing list
- Join the RSE slack space
- Join a regional group
- Attend the Conference
- Volunteer to help at the conference (free ticket)
- Apply for a grant from the 'Events and Initiatives Fund'
- Join one of the Special Interest groups or Working groups or start one!
- Become a trustee of the Society, elections in summer to start the role in September
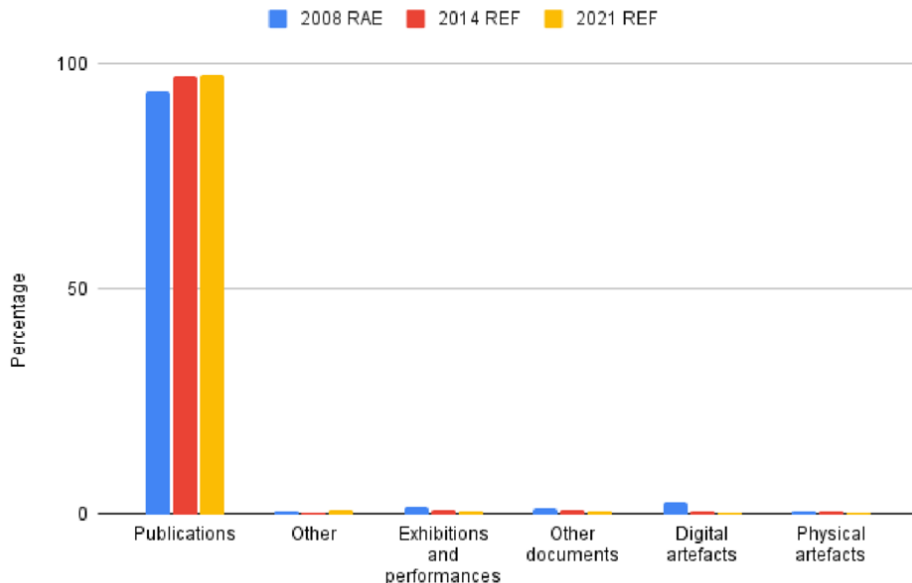
Research Excellence Framework (REF)

Research outputs submitted to RAE and REF

■ 2008 RAE　■ 2014 REF　■ 2021 REF

Category description	Category
(Parts of) books	A – Authored books
	B – Edited book
	C – Chapter in book
	R – Scholarly edition
	D – Journal article
	E – Conference contribution
	U – Working paper
Physical artefacts	L – Artefact
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1 - Hidden Role
2 - Training materials and courses
3 - Grimpact
4 - Citizen Science ✓
5 - Enabling access to facilities
6 - Community Building
7 - Standards

5 panels
1. Hidden Role
2. Practices
3. Contexts
4. Applications
5. Communicative

HIDDEN REF

CELEBRATING ALL RESEARCH OUTPUTS AND EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THEIR CREATION

"If we don't recognise all the work that is vital to research, then we harm our ability to conduct research."
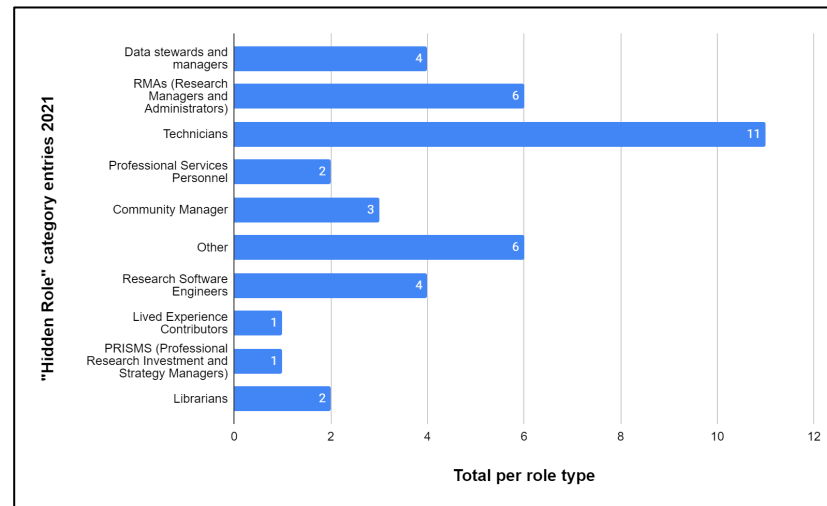
"Hidden Role" category entries 2021

Role type	Total per role type
Data stewards and managers	4
RMAs (Research Managers and Administrators)	6
Technicians	11
Professional Services Personnel	2
Community Manager	3
Other	6
Research Software Engineers	4
Lived Experience Contributors	1
PRISMS (Professional Research Investment and Strategy Managers)	1
Librarians	2

Total per role type

The hidden REF Festival — Celebrating all research outputs

White Paper

Shaping the future of research evaluation

Insights from The Festival of Hidden REF

April, 2024

hidden REF

The hidden REF
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What's the most exciting change in the #REF2028?

"This will allow the submission of outputs by any staff member, including non-academic staff"

Excellent news for campaigns like ours that are pushing for recognition of everyone involved in research.

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REF 2029
Research Excellence Framework

The Hidden REF

5%

Manifesto

The research community is fundamentally and inextricably reliant on a broad range of work and a diverse group of people.

- By signing, HEIs commit to submitting at least 5% of their submissions as NTOs
- Individuals can also sign to show their support
- NTOs refer to research outputs that are allowable but not traditionally submitted
- Fallen from 6% in RAE 2008 to 2.4% in REF 2021

2024 Competition

~~27 March 2024 to 10 May 2024~~	~~Call for category suggestions~~
~~17 May 2024~~	~~Final categories and submission rules to be announced~~
27 May 2024	Submissions open
13 September 2024	Deadline for submissions
October 2024	Winners announced!
November 2024	Awards ceremony

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5 - Community Building
6 - Grimpact
7 - Standards ✓
8 - Research teams *new*
9 - Public Engagement *new*
10 - Campaigns *new*
11 - Everything else! *new*

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Thank you!

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