

# RSE in the UK



SOCIETY OF RESEARCH  
SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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# Who is this guy?

Particle  
Physics  
Uni  
Hamburg

Medical  
Physics  
London,  
UK

Software  
Engineer  
&  
Architect



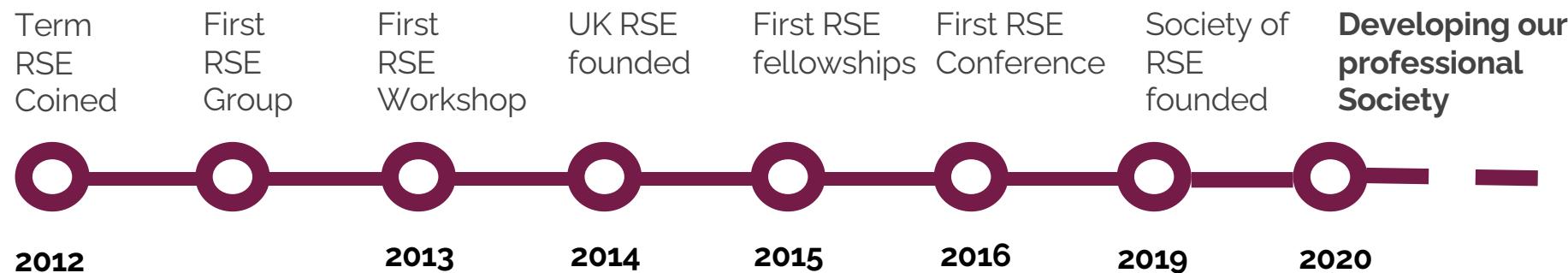
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1997  
2000  
2019  
2023  
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RSE  
At UCL  
London

RSE  
Podcaster  
& Trustee



# Grassroots movement to professional Society



# **What is the Society of RSE? Who For?**

- ▶ Open to engineers
  - ▶ Who identify as research software engineers
    - ▶ E.g. data scientists, infrastructure engineers etc.
  - ▶ Who are researchers, scientists who code
  - ▶ Who are RSEs (job title)
  - ▶ Who work in academia/private sector etc
- ▶ Professional organisation for individual members
  - ▶ Registered Charity
  - ▶ Ca 690 members

# Initiatives



2019



SeptembRSE

An online celebration of  
Research Software  
Engineering in 2021



The RSE Landscape

What is your RSE type and how do you want to develop it?

## Some examples

- ▶ Regional Groups
  - ▶ <https://society-rse.org/community/regional-groups/>
- ▶ RSE Leadership
  - ▶ <https://github.com/RSE-leaders/evidence-bank>
- ▶ Career ladders/Vacancies/Job description
  - ▶ <https://society-rse.org/careers/vacancies/>
- ▶ Mentorship programme
  - ▶ About to start again soon
- ▶ Working/Special Interest Groups
  - ▶ E.g. Equity, Diversity & Inclusion



And more...

## Getting Recognition as RSEs



AND...



## Read more

[society-rse.org](http://society-rse.org)

Society of RSE Trustee Report  
[bit.ly/socrse-report-2022](http://bit.ly/socrse-report-2022)

RSE State of the Nation Report  
[doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.495360](http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.495360)

A not-so-brief history of Research  
Software Engineers  
[bit.ly/NotSoBriefRSE](http://bit.ly/NotSoBriefRSE)

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