



# DiveRSE

Supporting Equity, Diversity and Inclusion within the  
Research Software Engineering Community

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# EDI/DEI/JEDI in RSE (UK-based study)

- ▶ The RSE community is often perceived as diverse and inclusive. However, a recent study tells a different tale:

	UK RSEs	UK Academics	UK Software Developers	All UK Workers
Gender (female)	14	46	14	48
Ethnicity (BAME/Mixed)	5	15	21	12
Report disability	6	4	10	13

(See [1][2][3]. Numbers are reported percentages.)

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# We are missing out!

- ▶ ...on brilliant people as part of our community!
- ▶ ...on talent and potential staff/colleagues/PhD students/postdocs....!
- ▶ ...on different perspectives, experiences, skills and input!

# Lorentz Centre Workshop "Vive la différence - research software engineers"

- ▶ April 2022, Research Software Alliance (ReSA)
- ▶ Organisers: Michelle Barker, Anna-Lena Lamprecht, Sean Goggins, Mozhgan Kabiri Chimeh
- ▶ How to use social processes and technology to improve EDI in RSE?
- ▶ Research Software communities outside of US and Europe
- ▶ Report currently being written

## DiveRSE (Diverse RSE)

- ▶ International group with representatives of national RSE associations and other RSEs and RSE-related people
  - ▶ Lead: Jeremy Cohen
  - ▶ Organise talks, discussions, panels...
  - ▶ Exchange ideas and experiences
- Create a meeting point for EDI/DEI/JEDI activities related to RSE

# Want to get involved?

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