



Greetings from the North!



Nordic
RSE

Why Nordic-RSE?

- Size and location

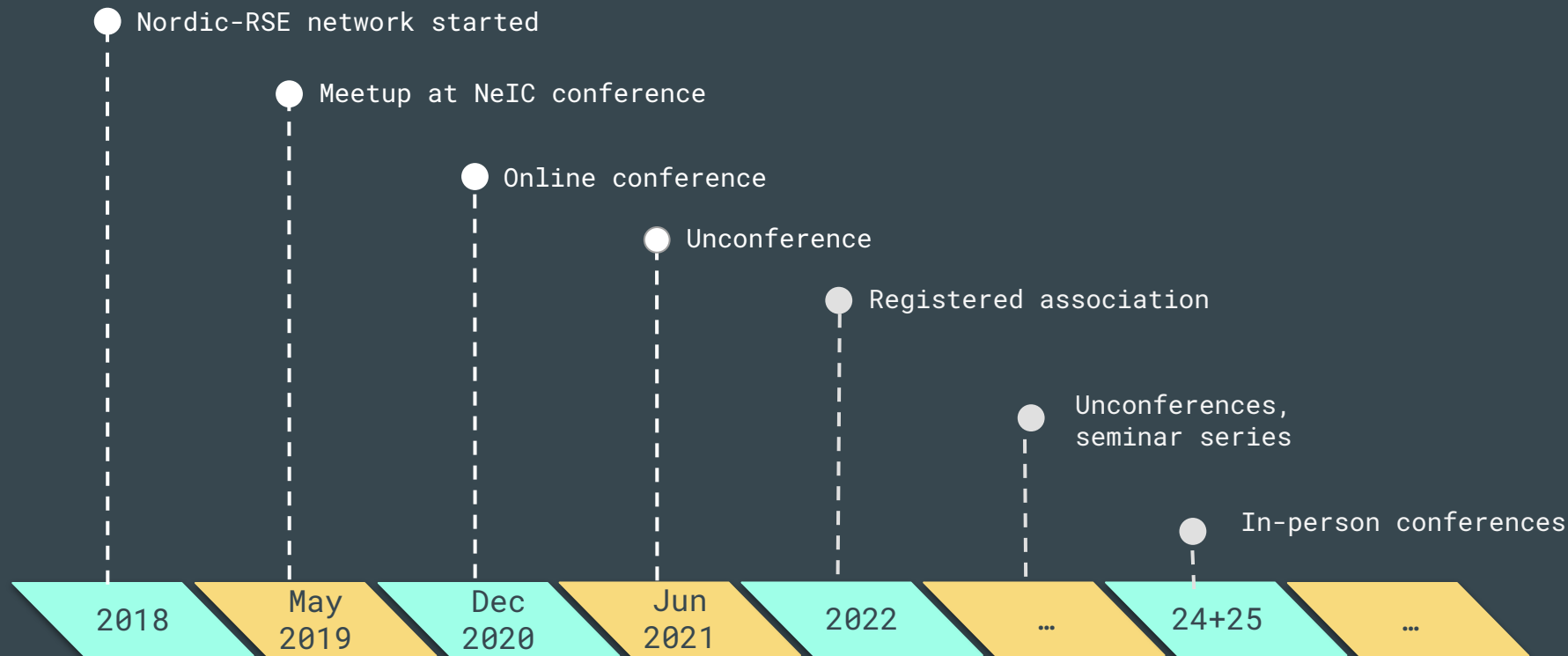
- 27M inhabitants
- 5 Nordic countries + 3 Baltic
- Geographically close

- Already existing partnerships

- Close connections in teaching and research
- Close cultural connections
- Good transportation
- Joint funding, e.g. Nordic e-Infrastructure Collaboration

- An international-first network

History of Nordic-RSE



How do we work?

- Fueled by Enthusiasm!
- We get together and do something, but we are not good with sharing about it
- No funding, but since 2022 membership fees, now conference fees and some conference funding from the SSI
Thank you! <3
- We have a board, but community does things -> Grassroots

Nordic-RSE activities

- Annual conference
- Website: <https://nordic-rse.org>
- Bluesky: [@nordic_rse.bsky.social](https://bsky.app/profile/nordic_rse.bsky.social)
- Mastodon: [@nordic_rse@fosstodon.org](https://fosstodon.org/@nordic_rse)
- LinkedIn: Nordic-RSE
- Community: <https://coderefinery.zulipchat.com>
- Weekly virtual RSE coffee break (Thursdays, 9 CET)
- Bi-weekly virtual community meeting (every other Thu 13 CET)

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International RSE activities	↗
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RSE survey	↗
International Council of RSE Associations	
ABCD (Aalto basicscientific computing days)	
Nordic-RSE out in the world	↗
RSE vs academic publications	
social media	↗
RSE reading materials	↗
NordForsk funding - Nordic Infrastructure Hubs	
joss-jufo	
Presentation sharing	
Research Network funding	↗
Call for conference organizers	

Achievements

JOSS re-evaluated as JUFO 1 in Finland, expands its definition

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The [Finnish Publication Forum](#) (JUFO) has re-evaluated the [Journal of Open Source Software](#) (JOSS) as level 1, making it easier for researchers to get credit for their software contributions within the Finnish academic system. Among other things, the re-evaluation will make it easier for Finnish PhD students to include JOSS publications in article-based dissertations.

The re-evaluation followed a modification of JUFO level 1, adding the criteria to include data and methods supporting research results. This change paves the way for further recognition of scientific work beyond, and in addition to, traditional scientific publications.

JUFO levels are important within the Finnish academic system. The Finnish Publication forum (Finnish: Julkaisufoorumi; JUFO) ranks publication channels on a 0-3 level, with 1 indicating basic level channels up to and 3 which is reserved for the most selective channels. JOSS's previous ranking of 0 indicated publication channels that are not considered to meet basic criteria such as primarily publishing scientific output and having a proper editorial and peer-review process. Since 2015, the classification has been used to measure the research output of universities, and around 14% of all of Finland's universities' basic funding is based on the number of publications during the year, and their JUFO level. Naturally, this means that the value of publications in Finland is inevitably linked with their JUFO level.

Read the full blogpost:



Achievements



45 participants

- 1 keynote talk
- 14 talks
- 3 discussion sessions
- 2 tutorials
- 4 posters

Nordic-RSE conference 2025 in Gothenburg, Sweden

Challenges

- Membership benefits
 - We want to provide things open for everyone
 - Currently we promise to try to:
 - organize conferences and events
 - grow and strengthen the community
 - provide a network and support
 - advocate for you
- Retaining momentum
- Limited people who show up to meetings or take actions

What's next?

- Nordic-RSE conference in June 2026 in Tromsø, Norway
- Regional f2f meetups
 - RSE - Helsinki/Espoo (FI) meets for lunch at international RSE day!
 - No-BS Computing (Nordic Basic Scientific Computing) meetup in Espoo (FI) in Feb '26
- Outreach at other related events in Nordics - limited
- Take up participation in / join the
 - International RSE council
 - International RSE survey
 - International RSE conference committee