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## RSSE AFRICA COMMUNITY MEETUP

### What are Research Software & Systems Engineers?

Do you work in a research environment and spend a lot of your time coding or building infrastructure to support research computing and data storage? The term RSSE refers to Research Software Engineers and Research Systems Engineers (including research computing, cloud, and HPC sys admins).

### WHO SHOULD JOIN THIS EVENT?

Join this meeting if you:

- develop software for research
- are a postdoctoral researcher who predominantly develops software
- mostly do coding or software development in a research group
- have had to build a program or software while doing research
- want to learn more about RSSEs globally
- want to join a growing community of RSSEs in Africa

### MEETING DETAILS

Almost all research projects today rely on research software for project planning, data collection, data analysis, or publication. Although RSEs have such a valuable skill set, we do not always feel valued. Dr Heidi Seiboldt's talk will focus on ideas for ensuring a bright future in research based on good software, and happy RSEs. Dr Kim Martin will share her RSE journey and showcase work being done at Stellenbosch University in South Africa.

### SPEAKERS

#### Dr. Heidi Seibold

Dr Heidi Seibold works at the intersection of data science, open science and health research. She is an R nerd, podcast junkie and bike rider.

#### Dr. Kim Martin

Dr Martin is an avid proponent of the role of RSEs, and has been working to establish an RSE community at Stellenbosch University, leading to the creation of RSE@SUN.

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