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The Open Source Specialist Group

Outline

British Computer Society’s Open Source Specialist Group

The BCS OSSG aims to

- Educate and inform of Open Source and its implications
- Provide a reliable, honest and independent view of Open Source
- Encourage debate and examination of Open Source practice
- Reduce professional uncertainty around the subject of Open Source
- Act as a centre of expertise

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https://ossg.bcs.org/

Activities of the OSSG

- Organization of events
  - Monthly evening streamed meetings
  - Some all day workshops
  - Conference OSHCamp in August/September
  - Open for Business Conference Series
- Joined efforts
  - London Open Source Meetup
  - Quarterly RISC-V Meetups
  - OpenUK engagement
  - Trying to grow further: LLVM Meetups, ...
- Maintaining our web presence `https://ossg.bcs.org/`

About the OSSG

Members

- Members: 1600+
- Entrepreneurinal leaders
  - Most common job title: "director" followed by "Senior Software Engineer"

Advocacy

- Blog on the webpage
  - Anyone welcome to submit articles revolving around open *
- YouTube Channel
- Twitter handle: @BCSOSSG
- Some surveys to understand our members' needs better