



## Welcome to Linked Associate membership of the Royal Statistical Society

The Royal Statistical Society provides a forum for all those interested in statistics. It has around 7,000 members, about a quarter of whom are outside the UK. Our linked associate membership scheme offers access to RSS activities and publications – at a discounted rate – to those who are already members of another group or Society, linked to the RSS.

### About the RSS

The RSS is much more than just a learned society. We lead the way as an independent source of advice on statistical issues, and through our links with government, academia and the corporate and voluntary sectors, play a crucial role in raising the profile of statistics. We have a powerful voice at Royal commissions, Parliamentary Select Committees, and at public consultations, offering our own unique view of a range of issues, from freedom of information to sustainable development. Statisticians play a vital role in research and in all areas of industry and science.

Because we live in a time when statistics are regularly distorted by press, politicians and others, we see the reinvigoration of the public's faith in statistics as one of our key responsibilities. So we have challenged their misuse in court and consistently pressed governments to ensure that official statistics are produced to high standards and that government statisticians are not subject to political interference.

For us, public responsibility is about understanding and trust. When people ask 'what do these numbers mean?', or 'can we trust these figures?', you can be confident that we will be there with the answer.

### Am I eligible?

The Society's members come from a variety of professional backgrounds; some are users of statistics, some statisticians practicing in industry, commerce, government, education or research, while others are in full-time education. The Society is sensitive to the particular needs of all its members, and therefore offers a range of membership types. If you are a member of a user group member of the Statistics User Forum (SUF), or a member of a group or Society approved by the Society's Council to become a 'Linked Associate', then you are eligible for this category of membership. Please check with the Membership Services Team if you have any questions about membership eligibility or any other general questions: [membership@rss.org.uk](mailto:membership@rss.org.uk)

### What you get

- Ten issues of the Society's newsletter each year
- A quarterly magazine, *Significance*, free of charge for the first year of membership
- Membership of your nearest local group and all sections of the Society
- A reduced fee for all Society conferences, courses and meetings
- Discounts from certain publishers
- Access to the facilities in the headquarters building (London)
- Involvement in generating activities and new ideas
- The opportunity to subscribe to any of the Society's journals
- Access to the Society's website

See the website at [www.rss.org.uk](http://www.rss.org.uk) for more about the Society



Please fill in and return the application form overleaf.

# THE ROYAL STATISTICAL SOCIETY

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## Application for Linked Associate membership

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ Prof, Dr, Mr, Mrs, Ms, other

First names \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Present occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Membership of linked RSS group \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Linked Associate membership of the Royal Statistical Society currently costs £39.00 for one year.  
Membership is renewable on an annual basis.

I enclose a sterling cheque to the value of £39.00 made payable to the Royal Statistical Society

I wish to pay by credit card – please charge my account £39.00

**Credit card type:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**3 digit security number** (on back of card): \_\_\_\_\_

**House number** (of credit card registered address): \_\_\_\_\_ **Postcode:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name on credit card:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Publications

*RSS NEWS* is the Society's monthly newsletter. It publicises meetings and reports on Society activities. It has a lively correspondence page and advertisements for job vacancies, statistical software and training courses.

*Significance* is the Society's quarterly magazine devoted to statistical issues. Its purpose is to provide an enjoyable way for members to learn about novel applications, important theoretical developments, current issues affecting users of statistics; and developments in the roles played by statisticians and statistics right across society.

### Meetings

Over 150 meetings are organised by the Society each year in the UK, most are free of charge.

Sections of the Society promote particular branches and applications of statistics, and each holds a number of meetings a year in a variety of formats. Sections include those with a specialised interest in: Business and Industry, General Applications, Environmental Statistics, Medical Statistics, Official Statistics, Quality Improvement, Social Statistics, Statistical Computing and Research.

Statistics User Groups: the Society has recently established a Statistics User Forum (SUF) in conjunction with the ESRC. The Forum represents a wide variety of specialist statistics and data user groups.

Conferences: lasting either a full or half day are also occasionally organised by the Society and its sections, in addition to its week-long annual international conference held each summer.