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Alastair Revell BSc(Hons) FIAP MBCS CITP is the Managing Consultant of Revell Research Systems, the Management and Technology Consulting Practice that he established in Exeter in the United Kingdom in 1985.

Alastair Revell was educated in Exeter before graduating with an honours degree in Mathematics from the University of Birmingham in 1988.

He is a Chartered IT Professional (CITP), a qualification which is awarded on the basis of peer assessment by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT. The institute is the only chartered body in the UK empowered to grant the qualification to IT professionals under its 1984 Royal Charter.



He specialises in IT Strategy Development, IT Service Management, Software Development and Network Engineering. He is also a renowned trainer and has lectured widely.



Institution of Analysts  
and Programmers

**FELLOW**

He has extensive experience as a software developer and was elected a Fellow of The Institution of Analysts and Programmers (the leading professional body for systems analysts and software developers in the United Kingdom) in October 2006. He has also been elected to the institution's governing body as a Member of Council and has been appointed its Membership Director.

He is a professional member of BCS The Chartered Institute for IT and serves on the society's South West Branch Committee.

He has gained experience rarely found in IT professionals in a diverse range of industries and public sectors.

He blogs regularly at [blogs.rrs.co.uk](http://blogs.rrs.co.uk), with his thoughts also being published by the widely respected IT Director site ([www.it-director.com](http://www.it-director.com)).



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He has designed and delivered Higher Education courses in subjects as diverse as Systems Analysis, Software Development, Networking and Database Methods, which have led to various awards from the University of Plymouth. He has also prepared chartered accountants (CIMA) for their final examinations. In 2006, he was extensively involved in developing a new foundation degree programme in Internet Technology with Business, which was awarded by the University of Plymouth.

He was instrumental in establishing The Revell Research Systems Prize at the University of Plymouth in 2006 to mark the consultancy's 21st year in business. The prize is now awarded annually to the best student to graduate from the university's Computing degree programme (<http://prize.rrs.co.uk>).

Alastair Revell is a former Devon Vice-Chairman and East Devon Chairman of The Prince's Trust, an organisation actively led by HRH The Prince of Wales, which helps disadvantaged young people in a variety of ways. He advised The Prince's Trust in a voluntary capacity at a senior level during the 1990s contributing to the Trust's national IT policy as well as helping to establish The Prince's Trust Volunteers programme in Devon.

He currently programs in both VB.Net and C#, and has used previous versions of Visual Basic and Pascal in various guises commercially. He has delivered training in these languages as well as C and C++ and is an avid evangelist for object orientation and, in particular, the Microsoft .NET framework. He has worked extensively with a variety of database technologies, including Microsoft Access, SQL Server, ADO.NET and Transact-SQL.

He is also a skilled systems analyst and designer, having developed numerous small and medium size systems. He has also designed, delivered and led modules in Systems Analysis for undergraduates for over ten years and is well-versed in the SSADM 4.3 methodology.

He has extensive knowledge of the Microsoft Windows operating system family as well as Microsoft Exchange and SQL Server, both as a software developer and as a systems engineer.

He has strong network engineering skills and an in-depth knowledge of the TCP/IP protocol suite. He has delivered commercial and academic programmes on networking as well as working with a variety of network technologies on a daily basis.

Outside of computing, Alastair Revell manages to enjoy a range of other interests.

These include a strong interest in English history, particularly in the period from 1066 to 1475. He undertakes a large amount of research each year in this field, working extensively with primary source documents at various archives around the country on a regular basis. He reads Medieval Latin and is reasonably skilled in palaeography.

He also enjoys digital photography, which has moved from just an interest into a passion with the advent of digital SLR technology. He combines this with his love of walking, which often takes him on to both Dartmoor and Exmoor, as well as the coastal paths around the South West. He also ventures into the Pyrenees and Alps when the opportunities present themselves.

He used to cycle competitively at club level, specialising as a hill climber, but has not done so for some time, although he still yearns to get back on his bike.

There just isn't enough time...!