# Package 'RApiSerialize'

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R serialization code. Access to this code is provided at the C function level by using the registration of native function mechanism. Client packages simply include a single header file RApiSerializeAPI.h provided by this package.  This packages builds on the Rhpc package by Junji Nakano and Ei-ji Nakama which also includes a (partial) copy of the file src/main/serialize.c from R itself.  The R Core group is the original author of the serialization code made available by this package.
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RApiSerialize-package RAPI for Serialization

### **Description**

This package provides other packages with access to the internal R serialization code. Access is provided at the C function level via the registered function facility

For convenience and testing purposes, two wrapper functions are also provided at the R level.

# Usage

```
serializeToRaw(obj)
unserializeFromRaw(obj)
```

# **Arguments**

obj

An R object which is going to (un)serialized by the corresponding function.

#### **Details**

The C code in this package is taken from R source code, where it provided for use by R only in a way that renders it inaccessible to other packages.

This package aims to fill this gap by providing access to the same functionality, at the cost of making a copy.

To use the serialization and deserialization code provided here, a client package simply adds LinkingTo: RApiSerialize in its DESCRIPTION file and includes the header file RApiSerializeAPI.h.

#### Author(s)

Dirk Eddelbuettel put together this package, based on earlier work by Junji Nakano and Ei-ji Nakama who also included the C code from R for serialization in their **Rhpc** package. R Core wrote the underlying C code for use in R itself.

The package is maintained by Dirk Eddelbuettel.

#### See Also

The R source code in src/main/serialize.c.

#### **Examples**

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## calling the R wrapper
serializeToRaw(letters)
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