

Dear colleague,

it would really improve your participation to Python lessons if you have a python interpreter installed on your workstation.

If you do not, it is easy to install one and we could help in the first day of the course. Anyway we suggest to try yourself as soon as possible; here are a few instructions:

- Please be sure to install the latest available version of Python 3.*
- Depending on your operating system, you have several possibilities:
 - Default installer from <https://www.python.org/downloads/>. For details see <https://wiki.python.org/moin/BeginnersGuide/Download>
 - Python should already be installed on Linux, but please make sure it is version 3.*, just type *python* or *python3* in the terminal window. Otherwise you can install the latest version from your repositories
 - On Mac you may download the installer from <https://www.python.org/downloads/>,
 - Otherwise on all systems you can install Anaconda (or Miniconda) Python suite (this is suggested for Windows)

Beside the basic python interpreter you would find great, as we do, using Jupyter Notebook. Also it will be quite useful to enable you to a deeper participation in the course.

Jupyter Notebook comes together with the installation of Anaconda, otherwise you can find installation instructions in <https://docs.jupyter.org/en/latest/install/notebook-classic.html>.

Would you like to turn your notebook into a fancy presentation, RISE is the Jupyter Notebook extension you are looking for. Just follow the instructions in <https://rise.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>.