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Annotation

Slides frequently serve as the foundation for lectures and lesson plans. Are we, as teachers, aware of what it means - and imply - to use this tool? Are we able to make use of it in a way that is truly functional to student learning? In this workshop we will together develop a constructive approach to PowerPoint in the specific context of academic teaching, taking into account what the so-called "Cognitive Style of PowerPoint" means.

Slides are one of the most common tools used into our lectures, that's why within this workshop we will focus our attention on:

- the Pros and Cons of slides;
- slides' cognitive style;
- alternatives to presentations and their "linearity".

Goals

- Learn how to "balance" presentation usage.
- Avoid slides overwhelming.
- Be aware of the cognitive effects of your teaching choices to deliver content.
- Control fragmentation of thought and cognitive overload.

Learning and Teaching Methods

- group work: analysis of examples
- individual reflection on if and how to modify the use of presentations in academic teaching
- collaborative takeaways

The course is designed for those with English language proficiency **at B2 level or above**.

Lecturer:

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When?

1st meeting - 17.04 (15:00-17:00)

2nd meeting - 18.04 (11:00-13:00)

Where?

Rectorate CU, Green auditorium (room 141), Celetná 20, Prague 1

Registration [HERE](#)

Participation in the program is free of charge.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at cczv@ruk.cuni.cz