

ORGANIZATIONAL DETAILS

This course is organised by IRCrES-CNR Research Institute on Sustainable Economic Growth, Rome, Italy



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The course is online and will take place on November 23rd (10 am - 12 am and 2 pm – 4 pm), 2022.

**Deadline for request of participation:
14th November 2022**

Application should be sent at:
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Participants will be selected on the basis of their interests and CV.

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RISIS

RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SCIENCE
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Machine Learning using Stata with applications to RISIS datasets *online*

23 November 2022



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COURSE OBJECTIVES

Predictive analytics has become highly relevant not only in hard sciences and engineering, but also in the social sciences.

Based on **computational statistics**, Machine Learning has proved to be an extraordinary tool for prediction purposes and complexity reduction in many social science contexts.

People belonging to the RISIS community, as well as other interested people, can thus take advantage of learning about **Machine Learning techniques** and how to apply them using the **popular Stata software**. The course is a primer to ML in Stata with application to some RISIS datasets.

Participants are expected to become familiar with Machine Learning applications in Stata, after receiving a short introduction to the subject

PROGRAM AND CONTENTS

In this one-day course, after an introductory lecture on Machine Learning for the social sciences, two related Stata modules, `r_ml_stata_cv` and `c_ml_stata_cv` will be illustrated for fitting popular Machine Learning (ML) methods both in a regression and a classification setting.

Using the recent Stata/Python integration platform (SFI) introduced in Stata 16, these commands provide hyper-parameters' optimal tuning via K-fold cross-validation using grid search. More specifically, they make use of the Python Scikit-learn API to carry out both cross-validation and outcome/label prediction.

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10h -12h: Section 1 (Lecture Session)

Introduction to Machine Learning for social scientists

14h -16h: Section 2 (Applied Session):

Applying Machine Learning using Stata on RISIS datasets

AUDIENCE TARGETED

This course targets researchers aiming to master tools and methodologies to dig into Machine Learn applications.

It will involve up to 15 participants. It is addressed to:

-Senior scientists, early career researchers and PhD students

-Policy makers at the local, regional, national and international level (e.g., European Commission)

-Research associations

REQUIREMENT FOR PARTICIPATION

Participants should have some basic notions of **basic statistics** (mainly regression models), a working knowledge of Stata, and some practice with **STI analysis**.

It is not necessary for participants to have knowledge of Python.