Oral presentation – further recommendations

MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- **Presentation.** Make slides clear (not overcrowded with words or background), legible (good font size, high contrast, and style), with good balance of graphics and text, and with a logical structure (see below for an example).
- **Contents.** Keep the information relevant to chosen topic (i.e., research question) and use simple terms.
- **Time management.** Practice your presentation so that it is well paced (i.e., you are not rushing or trying to cram too much at any point), uses the time available (keeping it strictly under the limit), and you are enouncing properly so that everybody can understand your talk. Think that 1 slide typically takes 1 or 2 minutes to speak if its contents are correctly explained.

TENTATIVE STRUCTURE

- *Introduce yourself* (name and ID) and your assigned research project title
- *Introduce your topic/research question* for peers (keep in mind that the audience must understand your research even if not familiar with topic). This means, including a
  - statement of the research question(s) (i.e., your aims)
  - context and motivation/justification of the research question
- *Describe your data and methods* to the audience. That is,
  - provide meta-data and a graphical visualisation of the data
  - explain relevant concepts (use few equations, explaining the variables used and what they mean)
  - show preliminary results/main characteristics (distribution moments, quantiles, etc.)
- *Present a tentative timeline or plan* for your next steps by
  - setting objectives
  - and planning how to address them