# Lesson23 PHP Basics

### PHP in HTML

#### Use of php directly in html

- <?php echo \$variable;?> used for output variable in html
- <?php if(condition): ?> <?php else: ?> <?php endif; ?>
- <?php foreach(\$arr as \$item):?> <?php echo \$item; ?> <?php endforeach; ?>

#### PHP dates

- time() return current Unix timestamp
- strtotime("textual date", \$optionalTimestamp) parse any English textual date time description into Unix timestamp
- date("Format", \$timestamp) Format a local time/date
- Example: strtotime("-1 day", time()) return one day back from now

## Checking types in PHP

- gettype (\$value) get the type of a variable
- is\_string (\$value) Find whether the type of a variable is string
- is\_int (\$value) Find whether the type of a variable is integer
- is\_numeric (\$value) Finds whether a variable is a number or a numeric string
- is\_bool (\$value) Finds out whether a variable is a boolean
- is\_null (\$value) Finds whether a variable is NULL
- is\_array(\$value) Finds whether a variable is an array
- is\_object (\$value) Finds whether a variable is an object

## Checking values

- isset(\$value) Determine if a variable is declared and is different than NULL
- empty(\$value) Determine whether a variable is empty (support expressions)
- unset(\$variable) Unset a given variable
- Documentation reference: <a href="https://www.php.net/manual/en/types.comparisons.php">https://www.php.net/manual/en/types.comparisons.php</a>