

# The Taralli Beamer Theme

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- ▶ This theme is based on the open source AAU sidebar theme so that other researches and students at Poliba could use the theme for their presentations.



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2. `beamerinnerthemeTaralli.sty`
3. `beamerouterthemeTaralli.sty`
4. `beamercolorthemeTaralli.sty`

The theme can either be installed for local or global use.

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## Local Installation

The simplest way of installing the theme is by placing the four theme files in the same folder as your presentation. When you download the theme, the four theme files are located in the `local` folder.

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## Global Installation

- ▶ If you wish to make the theme globally available, you must put the files in your local latex directory tree. The location of the root of the local directory tree depends on the operating system and the latex distribution. On the following slides, you can read the instructions for some common setups.
- ▶ When you download the theme, the four theme files are embedded in a directory structure (in the `global` folder) ready to be copied directly to the root of your local directory tree.
- ▶ On the following slides, we refer to this directory structure as `<dirstruct>`. **Note** that some parts of the directory may already exist if you have installed other packages in your local latex directory tree. If this is the case, you simply merge `<dirstruct>` with your existing setup.

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## Ubuntu with TeX Live

1. Place the <dirstruct> in the root of your local latex directory tree. By default it is  
~ /texmf  
If the root does not exist, create it. The symbol ~ refers to your home folder, i.e., /home/<username>
2. In a terminal run  

```
$ texhash ~/texmf
```

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## Windows with MiKTeX

Apparently, MiKTeX does not include a local latex directory tree by default. Therefore, you first have to create it.

1. To do this, create a folder `<somewhere>` named, e.g., `texmf`
2. Add this folder in the Roots tab of the MiKTeX Settings dialog
3. Place the `<dirstruct>` in your newly created local latex directory tree  
`<somewhere>\texmf`
4. Open the MiKTeX Settings dialog and click Refresh FNDB.

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## Windows with TeX Live

In the advanced TeX Live Installer, you can manually change the default position of the root of the local latex directory tree. However, we assume the default position below.

1. Place the <dirstruct> in your local latex directory tree

`%USERPROFILE%\texmf`

If it does not exist, create it. In XP %USERPROFILE% is

`c:\Document and Settings\<username>`

by default, and in Vista and above it is by default

`c:\Users\<username>`

2. Open the TeX Live Manager dialog and select 'Update filename database' under 'Actions'.

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## Mac OS X with MacTeX

Place the <dirstruct> in the root of your local latex directory tree. By default it is

`~/Library/texmf`

If the root does not exist, create it. The symbol ~ refers to your home folder, i.e., `/home/<username>`

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Of course, you have to have the Beamer class installed. In addition, the theme loads two packages

- ▶ TikZ<sup>1</sup>
- ▶ calc

These packages are very common and should therefore be included in your latex distribution.

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<sup>1</sup>By the way, TikZ is an awesome package for creating beautiful graphics. If you do not believe me, then have a look at these [online examples](#) or the [pgf user manual](#). If you want to create beautiful plots, you should use the pgfplots package which is based on TikZ.

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## The Presentation Theme

It is very simple to load the presentation theme. Just type  
`\usetheme[<options>]{Taralli}`  
which is exactly the same way other beamer presentation  
themes are loaded. The presentation theme loads the inner,  
outer and color Taralli theme files and passes the <options>  
on to these files.

## The Inner Theme

You can load the inner theme directly by  
`\useinnertheme{Taralli}`  
and it has no options.

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## The Outer Theme

You can load the outer theme directly by

```
\useoutertheme[<options>]{Taralli}
```

Currently, the theme options are

- ▶ `hidetitle`: Hide the (short) title in the sidebar
- ▶ `hideauthor`: hide the (short) author in the sidebar
- ▶ `hideinstitute`: hide the (short) institute in the bottom of the sidebar
- ▶ `shownavsym`: show the navigation symbols
- ▶ `left` or `right`: position of the sidebar (default is right)
- ▶ `width=<length>`: width of the sidebar (default is 2 cm).
- ▶ `hideothersubsections`: hide all subsections but the subsections in the current section
- ▶ `hideallsubsections`: hide all subsections

The last four options are inherited from the outer sidebar theme.

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## The Color Element Taralli

The color theme defines a new beamer color element named  
Taralli whose foreground and background colors are

- ▶ fg: light blue (`{RGB}{194,193,204}`)
- ▶ bg: dark blue (`{RGB}{33,26,82}`)

You can use these colors in the standard beamer way by using  
the command `\usebeamercolor[<fg or bg>]{Taralli}`. See  
the beamer manual for instructions.



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Note that this version of the theme follows official Poliba Colors. However, you can easily change it (including the logo) by following the steps in `beamercolorthemeTaralli.sty`.



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## Compiling Your Presentation With Taralli Theme

Unlike most other beamer themes, this theme must be compiled at least **three** times to make everything look right. For most other themes, you do not have to compile your presentation more than two times. For the Taralli theme, the third compilation is necessary to determine the position of the circle with the current frame number and the length of the "progress bar".

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- ▶ However, you can modify specific elements of the theme through the templates provided by the beamer class. Please refer to the beamer user manual for instructions.
- ▶ For example, on this slide the following commands have been used
  - ▶ Change the bar and sidebar colors:  

```
\setbeamercolor{Sisinf}{fg=gray!50,bg=gray}  
\setbeamercolor{sidebar}{bg=red!20}
```
  - ▶ Change the color of the structural elements:  

```
\setbeamercolor{structure}{fg=red}
```
  - ▶ Change the frame title text color:  

```
\setbeamercolor{frametitle}{use=structure,  
fg=structure.fg}
```
  - ▶ Change the background color of the text  

```
\setbeamercolor{normal text}{bg=gray!20}
```

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## The Background Image

- In this documentation, the title page frame and the last frame have the waves as the background image. The waves background image can be added to any single frame by wrapping a frame in the following way

```
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\begin{frame}[<options>]{Frame Title}{Frame  
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...  
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```

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```
- Ideally, I would like to create a new frame option called `wavesbg` which can enable the waves background. However, I have not been able to figure out how such an option can be added.

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## Widescreen Support

Newer projectors and almost any modern TV support a widescreen format such as 16:10 or 16:9. Beamer ( $\geq$  v. 3.10) supports various aspect ratios of the slides. According to section 8.3 on page 77 of the Beamer user guide v. 3.10, you can write

```
\documentclass[aspectratio=1610]{beamer}
```

to get slides with an aspect ratio of 16:10. You can also use 169, 149, 54, 43 (default), and 32 to get other aspect ratios.



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