

# Public documentation

The Linux operating system has a long history at DESY.

Linux is a clear workhorse for many scientific instruments as well as a strong pillar for general services.

These pages detail

- What kind of Linux distributions does DESY IT provide?
- What is included in their support?
- How do I request a Linux installation?
- How can I change configuration of my Linux system?
- Any special things that I need to know?

DESY IT provides powerful computational resources based on Linux as a service. Details of these resources can be found elsewhere:

- [The Maxwell HPC cluster](#)
- [The NAF - National Analysis Facility](#)
- [General batch computing resource: BIRD](#)
- [Public, interactively accessible Linux Server](#)