# AISC 1: Gran Canaria

**Dates**: 12.04. - 22.04.2018

**Location**: Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, Spain

Organizers: Nandi Schoots, Linda Linsefors, Tom McGrath, David Kristoffersson,

Remmelt Ellen, Anne Wissemann

Number of Applicants: 31
Number of Accepted: 27
Participants joining camp: 20
Number of Teams: 5

Funding received: 13,705 EUR
Actual costs: 11,572 EUR
Remaining budget: 2133 EUR
Cost per participant: 579 EUR

Number of feedback forms filled out: 20

**Application process**: 3.85

Likely recommend to friend: N/A

Well informed: 4.15 Preparation phase: 3.59

Intensity preparation (3 best): 2.83

Topic generation: 4.17 Team formation: 3.39 Research sprint: 4.5

Location: 4.5

Accommodation: 3.7

**Food**: 3.3

Happy with socializing (3 best): 2.95 How do you feel about the camp: 4.75 How do you feel about your team: 4.3 How do you feel about participants: 4.6

# AISC 2: Prague

**Dates**: 04.10 - 14.10.2018 **Location**: Louti, near Prague

Organizers: Johannes Heidecke, Jan Kulveit, Anne Wissemann, Jirí Nadvorník,

Kristina Nemcova, Jessica Cooper, (Remmelt Ellen, Advising)

Number of Applicants: 57 (+26)

Interviews: 44

Number of Accepted: 37 (+10)
Participants joining camp: 27 (+7)
Number of Teams: 10 (+5)

Planned budget: 14,805 EUR

Funding received: 13,834 EUR (+129)

**From last camp**: 2,129 EUR (4 EUR transaction fee / conversion rate)

Actual costs: 14,762 EUR (+3190)
Remaining budget: 1261 EUR (-872)
Cost per participant: 547 EUR (-32)

Number of feedback forms filled out: 21 (+1)

**Application process**: 4.57 (+0.72)

Likely recommend to friend: 4.71 (N/A)

Well informed: 4.42 (+0.27)
Preparation phase: 3.33 (-0.26)

Intensity preparation (3 best): 2.57 (-0.26)

Topic generation: 3.19 (-0.98) Team formation: 3.95 (+0.56) Research sprint: 4.48 (-0.02)

**Location**: 4.86 (+0.36)

**Accommodation**: 4.67 (+0.97)

Food: 4.62 (+1.32)

Happy with socializing (3 best): 3 (+0.05)

How do you feel about the camp: 4.76 (+0.01)How do you feel about your team: 4.43 (+0.13)How do you feel about participants: 4.43 (-0.17)

# AISC 3: Madrid

**Dates**: 26.04 - 05.05.2019

**Location**: Madrid

Organizers: Remmelt Ellen, Sabrina Kavanagh, David Lindner, Fabian Steuer,

Kristina Nemcova, Brandon Perry, Tomáš Gavenčiak, Johannes Heidecke

Number of Applicants: 69 (+12) Interviews: 45 (+1) Number of Accepted: 40 (+3)

(including 2 participants who were accepted previously but couldn't make it)

(including 7 participants who are also organizers, 5 of them were participants before)

**Participants joining camp**: 28 (+1) **Number of Teams**: 9 (-1)

Planned budget: 18,900 EUR

(excludes follow-up camp + organiser compensation)

**Funding received**: 21,980 EUR (+8146)

From last camp: 0 EUR

**Actual costs**: ~20,986 EUR (+6224)

Remaining budget: 994 EUR

(remained on Czech EA account, unclear if used for AISRP)

Cost per participant: 750 EUR

Number of feedback forms filled out: 25 (+4)

Application process: 4.35 (-0.22)

Likely recommend to friend: 4.58 (-0.13)

**Well informed**: 4.62 (+0.20) **Preparation phase**: 3.85 (+0.52)

**Intensity preparation** (5 best): 4.15 (-0.13, adjusted)

Topic generation: 3.92 (+0.73) Team formation: 4.27 (+0.32) Research sprint: 4.23 (-0.25)

Location:

Accommodation:

Food:

Happy with socializing (5 best): 3.31 (-1.69, adjusted)

How do you feel about the camp: 4.46 (-0.30) How do you feel about your team: 4.12 (-0.30) How do you feel about participants: 4.27 (-0.16)

# AISC 4: Virtual (Toronto pivot)

**Dates**: 01.05 - 10.05.2020 **Location**: Virtual (lifesize rooms)

Organizers: Cynthia Yoon, Nix Goldowsky-Dill, Sebastian Kosch, JJ Hepburn,

Andrew Player, Remmelt Ellen, Colin Bested

Number of Applicants: 36 (-33)
Interviews: 31
Number of Accepted: 32 (-8)
Participants joining camp: 24 (-4)
Number of Teams: 6 (-3)

**Planned budget**: 40,253 USD **Funding received**: 40,014 USD

From last camp: 0

Actual costs:11,162 USDRemaining budget:28,852 USDCost per participant:465 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 19 (1 participant dropped out early)

Application process: 4.22 (-0.13)

**Likely recommend to friend** (10 best): 8.44 (-0.72, adjusted)

How satisfied with communication and information: 4.56 (-0.06, rephrased)

Preparation phase: 3.83 (-0.02)

Intensity preparation (5 is best): 4.06 (-0.09)

Topic generation: 4.11 (+0.19)
Team formation: 3.83 (-0.44)

Mentors + getting feedback: 3.72 (N/A)

Technology used for virtual camp: 4.17 (N/A) Happy with socializing (5 best): 3.39 (+0.08)

How satisfied about the camp: 3.83 (-0.63, rephrased) How satisfied how productive you were: 3.33 (N/A)

How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.33 (N/A)

How likely to contact a participant not from your team for help: 3.28 (N/A)

## **AISC 5: Virtual**

Dates: 23/01 - 30/05/2021 Location: Virtual (Zoom rooms)

Organizers: Remmelt Ellen, Rebecca Baron, Richard Möhn, Max Chiswick,

Nicholas Goldowsky-Dill

Number of Applicants: 39 (+3)
Interviews: 28 (-3)
Number of Accepted: 23 (-9)
Participants joining camp: 22 (-2)
Number of Teams: 12 (+6)

Planned budget:13,433 USDFunding received:0 USDFrom last camp:28,852 USDActual costs:10,191 USDRemaining budget:18,660 USDCost per participant:463 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 19 including one external collaborator

**Application process**: 4.74 (+0.52) 23 answered; we moved this question to a pre-camp form

Likely recommend to friend (10 best): 8.21 (-0.23)

How satisfied with communication and information: 4.36 (-0.20)

**Intensity preparation** (5 is best): 4.06 (-0.09)

**Topic generation**: 4.06 (-0.05) **Team formation**: 4.22 (+0.39)

Mentors + getting feedback: 3.58 (-0.14)

**Technology used for virtual camp:** 4.29 (+0.12) 14 participants answered this question

**Happy with socializing** didn't include this question for some reason

How satisfied about the camp: 4.16 (+0.33)

How satisfied how productive you were: 3.32 (-0.01)

How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.00 (-0.33)

How likely to contact a participant not from your team for help: 3.00 (-0.28)

## **AISC 6: Virtual**

**Dates**: 15.01 - 05.06.2022 **Location**: Virtual (Zoom rooms)

Organizers: Remmelt Ellen, Kristi Uustalu, Adam Shimi, Sai Joseph

Number of Applicants: 229 (+190) Interviews: 81 (+53) Number of Accepted: 49 (+26) Participants joining camp: 45 (+23)

**Number of Teams**: 13 (+1) one team of one person stopped

Planned ops budget: 9.039 USD

**Funding received**: 85,000 USD funding was also meant for AISC7 retreat

Actual ops costs: 3,013 USD Cost per participant: 67 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 19

Application process: 4.60 (-0.14)

actually 42 responded to this question in pre-camp form

Likely recommend to friend (10 best): 8.68 (+0.47)
How satisfied with communication and information: 3.95 (-0.41)

**Intensity preparation** 

Topic generation [note: mentors picked topics]

**Team selection:** 4.37 (+0.15) question changed of team formation

Mentors + getting feedback: 4.11 (+0.53)

Technology used for virtual camp: 4.47 (+0.18)

How satisfied about the camp: 4.16 (+0.00)
How satisfied how productive you were: 3.53 (+0.21)
How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.21 (+0.21)
How likely to contact a participant not from team: 2.74 (-0.26)

# AISC 7: Physical

**Dates**: 09.10 - 18.10.2022

Location: Prague (Ekocentrum Louti)
Organizers: Kristi Uustalu, Remmelt Ellen

#### Number of Applicants [note: invite-only edition]

Number of Accepted: 12

Participants joining camp: 11 one researcher worked remotely

Number of Spaces: 3

**Planned ops budget:** 24,320 USD this was close to the actual amount paid out costs

**Actual ops costs:**USD not filled in by ops coordinator at the time

Cost per participant: ~2000 USD we did not pay out committed stipends, given FTX

Note: no feedback form sent out. Just collected in-person feedback.

### **AISC 8: Virtual**

**Dates**: 04.01.2023 - 18.06.2023

**Location**: Virtual (GDocs + Slack + Zoom main room) **Organizers**: Linda Linsefors, Kristi Uustalu, Remmelt Ellen

Number of RL Applicants: 22 Number of RLs Admitted: 14 RLs returning as alumni: 4

Number of Team Applicants: 219 (-10 vs AISC6)

 Interviews:
 118 (+37)

 Number Accepted:
 81 (+11)

**Team members joining camp**: 65 (+20) *not counting 14 RLs nor 38 external collaborators* 

Number of Teams: 16 (+3)

Planned ops budget: USD Actual ops costs: 683 USD

Actual stipend costs: 30,750 USD we restricted

Cost per participant: 383 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 34

**Application process**: 4.41 (-0.19 vs. AISC6)

Likely recommend to friend (10 best): 7.56 (-1.12)

How satisfied with communication and info: 4.41 (+0.46)

**Team selection** note: format changed to RL based

Mentors + getting feedback

Technology used for camp:

How satisfied about the camp:

How satisfied how productive you were:

How likely to contact a team member for help:

How likely to contact a participant not from team:

4.47 (0.00)

3.88 (-0.28)

4.06 (-0.03)

4.06 (-0.15)

2.50 (-0.24)

## **AISC 9: Virtual**

**Dates**: 13.01.2024 - 25.04.2024

**Location**: Virtual (Slack + GDocs + Zoom main room + Gatheround)

Organizers: Linda Linsefors, Remmelt Ellen

Number of RL Applicants: 40 Number of RLs Admitted: 24 RLs returning as alumni: 5?

Number of Team Applicants: 240 (+21) not including 5 late applicants - 4 joined projects

Interviewed: 40 some/many RLs did not always update this field

Number Accepted: 156 (+75) Team members joining camp: 122 (+57)

**Team members leaving camp:** 108 no distinction anymore of external collaborators **Number of Teams**: 29 (+13) 5 projects got canceled at/after. 2 projects split

**Actual ops costs:** 160 USD gatheround subscription was only camp cost iirc

Actual stipend costs: 93,600 USD Cost per participant: 770.49 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 44

Application process:4.39 (+0.02)Likely recommend to friend (10 best):8.30 (+0.74)How satisfied with communication and info:4.50 (+0.09)

Technology used for virtual camp: 4.45 (-0.02)

How satisfied about the camp: 4.05 (+0.17) How satisfied how productive you were: 3.48 (-0.02) How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.11 (+0.05) How likely to contact a participant not from team: 2.50 (0.00)

### AISC 10: Virtual

**Dates**: 11.01.2025 - 20.04.2025

**Location**: Virtual (Slack + GDocs + Zoom main room + Gatheround)

Organizers: Linda Linsefors, Remmelt Ellen, Robert Kralisch

Number of RL Applicants: 51
Number of RLs Admitted: 31
RLs returning as alumni: 9+

**Number of Team Applicants**: 418 (+178)

Interviewed: 258

Number Invited: 173 (+17)
Team members joining camp: 156 (+34)
Team members leaving camp: 108

Number of Teams: 31 (+2)

Actual ops costs:160 USDActual stipend costs:93,600 USDCost per participant:770.49 USD

Number of feedback forms filled out: 44

Application process:4.39 (+0.02)Likely recommend to friend (10 best):8.30 (+0.74)How satisfied with communication and info:4.50 (+0.09)

Technology used for virtual camp: 4.45 (-0.02)

How satisfied about the camp:4.05 (+0.17)How satisfied how productive you were:3.48 (-0.02)How likely to contact a team member for help:4.11 (+0.05)How likely to contact a participant not from team:2.50 (0.00)

<sup>\*</sup>RED fields need to be filled out after feedback forms and research outputs collected.\*

Number of teams: ~134
Total left camp: ~402
Repeat attendants: ~39

#### Past feedback from more-advanced-seeming participants:

E.g. who have published with a researcher at AIS org

- AISC 3: Mixed responses in conversations some positive, some not.

  Rough conclusion by an experienced researcher/organiser: "on the edge of fundable". Note that this was probably our least well-organised edition.
- AISC 4: Two were really happy working with their teams. Unclear for two others.

  Two guessed camp was a net plus vs. their opportunity costs. Unclear for two others.

  8/10 avg camp recommendation rating, 3/5 avg satisfaction with productivity.