

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 Gavenčíak, 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 USD
Remaining budget: 28,852 USD
Cost 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 USD
Funding received: 0 USD
From last camp: 28,852 USD
Actual costs: 10,191 USD
Remaining budget: 18,660 USD
Cost 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: 4.47 (0.00)

How satisfied about the camp: 3.88 (-0.28)

How satisfied how productive you were: 3.50 (-0.03)

How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.06 (-0.15)

How likely to contact a participant not from team: 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: 148 *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 *not including 13 in RL form*
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 satisfied with guidance & leadership from RL: 3.73 (new)
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: 139 (-9) *5 project summaries missing so actual # is higher*
Number of Teams: 31 (+2)

Actual ops costs: 3,403 USD *including team reimbursements*
Actual stipend costs: 75,575 USD
Cost per participant: 439 USD *including RLs*

Number of feedback forms filled out: 70 (+26) *not including 18 in RL form*
Application process: 4.43 (+0.04)
Likely recommend to friend (10 best): 8.17 (-0.13)
How satisfied with communication and info: 4.43 (-0.07)
Technology used for virtual camp: 4.29 (-0.16)
How satisfied about the camp: 4.10 (+0.05)
How satisfied how productive you were: 3.26 (-0.22)
How satisfied with guidance & leadership from RL: 4.04 (+0.31)
How likely to contact a team member for help: 4.06 (-0.05)
How likely to contact a participant not from team: 2.56 (+0.06)

AISC 11: Virtual

Number of PL Applicants: 47 (-4)

Number of PLs Admitted: 27 (-4)

RLs returning as alumni:

Number of Team Applicants: 362

Interviewed:

Number Invited:

Team members joining camp:

Team members leaving camp:

Number of Teams: 26 (-5) Note: also gave microgrants and advice/
connections to 4 projects under Stop/Pause AI

Number of teams: ~159
Total left camp: ~789
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.