Summer@CERN 2022 Report NorCC - Norwegian Centre for CERN-related Research

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Summer@CERN 2022 - What is it?

- Two-week summer program at CERN
- Open for all master, PhD, postdoc, summer students, technical students and generally young researchers involved with CERN activities
- A great opportunity to meet other young researchers in the Norwegian CERN community while taking part in:
 - Lectures & seminars
 - Guided tours to experiments
 - Hands-on computing tutorial
 - Excursions
 - Social activities
- The first school was held this year in the period 27th of June – 8th of July

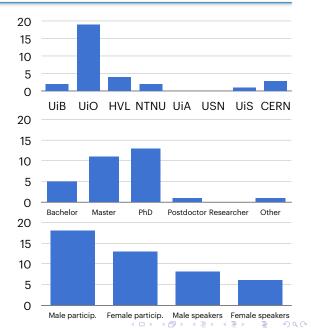
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Summer@CERN 2022 - Registration

- 31 participants
- No students from UiA and USN registered
- Special summer studentship

 UiS, accepted

42 % female participants 43% female speakers



· First week: Academic training & Visits

	27.6	28.6	29.6	30.6	1.7	2.7	3.7
9-10	Travel	Registration and intro	NorCC and CERN - Heidi Sandaker	Software and computing challenges - Anna Zaborowska	Visit CLIC	Free time	Excursion
10-11		Mest om CERN—og litt om Norge og CERN - Jens Vigen	Introduction to Cosmology - Oleksandr Sobol	Current and future detector technologies - Susanne Kuehn	Low Energy Physics, Antimatter and relations to astrophysics - M. Doser		Annecy
11-12		Quantum Sensing for Fundamental Physics - Ian Shipsey	Addressing the Green Innovation Challenge - Mar Capeans Garrido	Current and future accelerators at CERN - Bernhard Holzer	Technology Transfer - Giovanni Anelli		
Lunch							
13-14		Visit Service	Excursion	ISOLDE	Hands-on computing		
14-15		CMS (ALICE fully booked)	Rafting / Grill and Chill	AEGIS	Marcin Wolter		
15-16				ATLAS			
16-17							
Evening	Dinner in town	CineGlobe	Rafting / Grill and Chill	CineGlobe			

- Learn about latest development in research at CERN
- Visit experiments at CERN after two years (we will have to see what is available at the time)
- Hands-on computing training

· Second week: Ideasquare - Hands on

	4.7	5.7	6.7	7.7	8.7
9-10	Higgs Celebration	Introduction to Ideasquare and the way of working - Laura Wirtavuori	Exploration of selected tech	Teamwork on impact	
10-11		Intro to prototyping and Egg drop challenge - Laura Wirtavuori	ideation on tech usage	How to pitch	
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Lunch					
13-14	Surprise lecture Higgs day - John Ellis	Discover the tech	Further research on ideas	Teamwork: create your pitch	
14-15		The UN Sustainable Development Goals	Prototyping	Student presentations - Pitch your ideas	
15-16		Mapping of technology	Prototyping	Student presentations - Pitch your ideas	
16-17		Making an impact through research (Gunn Berit Neergård)	Student Start-up (Dag Håkon)	Wrap up: I learned	
Evening					

- · Have a go at design and entrepreneurial thinking
- · Learn about technologies at CERN available and interesting for Technology Transfer
- Learn about TT, Start-up, Entrepreneurship
- Training in presentation skills

- The first week was filled with lectures and guided tours to the experiments at CERN
- Incredibly talented lecturers explaining various aspects of contemporary research carried out at CERN
- Visits to:
 - CMS
 - ISOLDE
 - AEgIS
 - ATLAS
 - CLIC
- Surprise greeting from Fabiola Gianotti
- Hands-on machine learning tutorial
- More details in my blog post over at Shameless promotion

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Michael Doser explaining how to trap antimatter



• From our visit to CMS



• From our visit to ISOLDE



Summer@CERN 2022: Higgs Celebration

Surprise visit from John Ellis





Summer@CERN 2022 - Week 2: IdeaSquare

- The second week took place at IdeaSquare The Innovation space at CERN
- Working with technology transfer and innovation of new technology
- Working in groups to apply existing technology to solve existing problems
- IdeaSquare provides experience with:
 - Collaboration
 - Performing outreach
 - Presenting/communicating your ideas
 - Taking constructive feedback
- We were tasked with inventing a prototype to solve a problem of our own choosing

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Summer@CERN 2022 - Week 2: IdeaSquare

· Final presentations of the proposed ideas







- Minimizing water usage when building data centers
 - IdeaSquare
 - IdeaSquare Flickr

- Saving the rhino population using artificial intelligence
- Using cryogenics to save humanity from extinction

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Summer@CERN 2022 - Week 2: IdeaSquare

• Wrap up discussion at IdeaSquare



Summer@CERN 2022 - Social Events

 Wednesday grill & chill with rafting



Excursion to Annecy



Summer@CERN 2022 - Social Events

Traditional Swiss dinner at Edelweiss



Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: Talks

- Overall very positive response
- Most talks were rated "Excellent" or "Very good"
- Quantum sensing was a bit advanced for some, but others rated it excellent

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- Antimatter at AEgIS was extremely well received
- Not much to improve upon!

Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: Guided tours

- Varied response
- Some loved it, some thought it was too packed
- Idea to go more in-depth on fewer experiments (quality over quantity)

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• Sometimes hard to hear the speakers due to noise

Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: Hands-on computing

- Not so good response
- Overall consensus that the tutorial was too hard for beginners and too easy for people familiar with ML

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- Good intent, but missed the mark a bit
- Would be nice with the lecturer in person

Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: IdeaSquare

- Mixed feedback
- Main critique was lack of relationship to physics
- Good feedback for egg drop challenge, pitching & discovering the tech
- Worse feedback for "entrepreneurial" subjects
- More information about the IdeaSquare program

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• Suited more towards bch/msc students

Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: Visits & Excursions

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- Excellent response for rafting
- Excellent response to the excursion to Annecy
- Too tight time slot for grilling

Summer@CERN 2022 - Feedback: Organization & Overall experience

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- Very well organized
- No conflicts with exams & dates were good
- All in favour of organizing this event again
- All participants would recommend this event!

Summer@CERN 2022 - Outro

• Massive thanks to Heidi, Nina and all the others who made the event happen!

