

Thursday 8th February, 2018

**Outline: CICASP Seminar 73**

**First Joint PRI & WRC Seminar 'My Thesis in 90 Seconds'**

This was the first joint CICASP seminar in Science communication involving both PRI and WRC students. For the very first time, students participated via teleconferencing from three different locations: from PRI, WRC and from Kumamoto Sanctuary. An introduction to CICASP seminars was given at the start, for students joining for the first time.

For the main part of this seminar, students had been tasked to prepare a presentation, with just one slide, to talk for 90 seconds only, giving a summary of their research and the reason it matters. Pairs of presenters role-played that they were at a conference grabbing a coffee, met someone new and wanted to hear a bit about their research. Claire and Lira modelled the pattern of exchange first, then pairs of students followed suit. Our final trio of students each joined from separate locations: PRI, WRC and KS. Topics were diverse, and the 90-second pitches were attention-grabbing and to the point. The presenters all stuck to time well, with some pitches absolutely perfectly timed. It was enjoyable and fun seminar, and everyone learnt a lot about the research being done by students at all three institutes.

Wednesday 21st February, 2018

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**Student Practice Presentations for PWS International Symposium**

At this seminar, students will give practice presentations in preparation for the 9th International PWS Symposium. Last year, we held a series of CICASP Seminars for this purpose, and they proved popular, useful, and enjoyable. At the practice presentation seminars, not only other students, but also CICASP faculty will be on hand to give helpful feedback, comments and pointers.

**Presenters at the First Joint PRI & WRC Student Seminar  
'My Thesis in 90 Seconds'**

Pair 1	(a) Claire (PRI)	(b) Lira (WRC)	
Pair 2	(a) Josue (PRI)	(b) Mi Yeon (WRC)	
Pair 3	(a) Duncan (PRI)	(b) Sota (WRC)	
Pair 4	(a) Nelson (PRI)	(b) Kasumi (WRC)	
Pair 5	(a) Maegan (WRC)	(b) Shintaro (PRI)	
Pair 6	(a) Yutaro (WRC – @KS)	(b) Himani (PRI)	
Pair 7	(a) Adrian (WRC – @KS)	(b) Yan (PRI)	
Trio 8	(a) Miho (WRC)	(b) Filipa (PRI – @KS)	(c) He (PRI)

**Semester Schedule:**

01	<del>Introduction &amp; Choice of 'Hot Topics' to debate</del>	Jan	<del>24th Wed</del>
02	Scientific 'Hot topic' Debate	Jan	<del>31st Wed</del>
03	<del>First Joint PRI &amp; WRC Seminar 'My Thesis in 90 Seconds' 4-6pm</del>	Feb	<del>8th Thurs</del>
04	Student Practice Presentations for PWS International Symposium	Feb	21st Wed
Block 05	R-Workshops: Dr. Christof Neumann & Dr. Julie Duboscq		8 sessions in Feb/early March
Block 06	GIS Workshops (intensive) Dr. Janet Nackoney (University of Maryland)		Late March (TBA)