

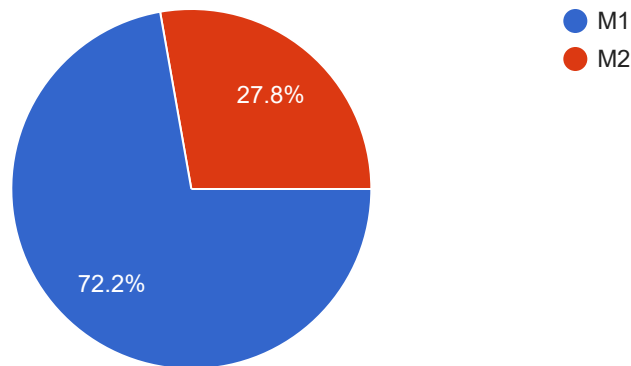
2025 iPSRS Industrial Workshop – Student Feedback Form

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Which year are you in?

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For M2 students: How did this year's Industrial Workshop compare to last year's?

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It is much better in terms of topics, but the round table was very lacking.

The networking session was better also there was a broader range of topics

Everything about this year is better except the alumni session. This year's alumni session was not as helpful or fruitful as last year's.

I was amazing, I saw it as an avenue to connect to those speakers especially for the internship opportunities and built professional networks

It was satisfactory

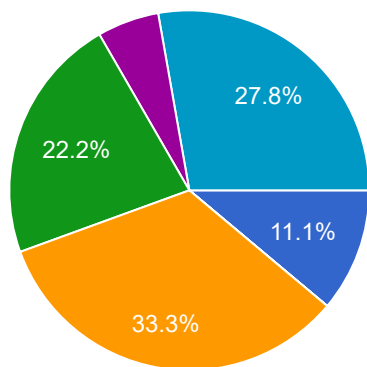
The alumni sessions were worse than last year, the other talkers were better this year.



What was your favorite part of the week

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- Visit of Hubert Curien laboratory
- Presentations by PSRS alumni
- Presentations on Industrial applications of optics and photonics
- Presentations on Startups and Academic research
- Round Table Sessions
- Networking Lunch



Which speaker, company, or session did you find the most interesting, and why?

18 responses

Mr. Johan Boulet

Merck Metrology because of their relationship with semiconductors

3L optronics because it aligns with my career goals.

3L-OPTRONICS, Ludovic Escouba. It was interesting to see an experienced scientist take care of a mature start up. It was valuable for me see the mature state of a start up and have all the view of the process.

Toopan, I am interested in their field of work and their products is interesting

Davit HAKOBYAN (Merck Optronics, Metrology & Inspection, France)

Natalie's presentation motivated me a lot.

Duc Huynh Le (VTT, Finland). Because it is related to my interest and work experience. I gained more information about resent works.

The session with Alice Vermeulin from Toppan Security stood out. Her talk on using photonics to secure identity documents showed a strong link between optics and real-world security applications, which is something I am interested in.

Toopan Security because I learned more about how secure documents work.

3L-OPTRONICS, I am interested in the application of they produced and they idea. We can in black environment take a video and also black silicon which I think it will use many place.

3L, Dr. Marwan

3L optronics, the speaker was very engaging and interesting and had the right level of narrative and scientific

I like Merck the most because their products align with my interests in semiconductors and product inspection (wafers)

3L optronics. Very interesting application, seems like a fast moving, highly motivating company.

3L-optronics, because I am really interesting with their solution, and I want to switch from



academia to entrepreneurship at some point in my career.

3L-Optronics. Presentation slides were clear and easy to digest. Speaker presented well and kept it concise and to the point.

The story of Mr Ludovic from professor to the CEO of 3L-Optronics is very inspiring, it gave me many interesting insights about bringing labs ideas to a profitable business. The round-table about industry needs also gave me many useful insights about what companies are looking for and how can we improve ourselves to matches those standards



Has this week influenced or changed your career goals or study interests? Please explain

15 responses

It did not change them but further encouraged them.

I would like to indulge more in applications of photonics to deliver my own product to the market in the future. Now I see it possible

I learned a lot from each experiences that the speakers shared, from the alumini to researchers and company founders, because each of them can be related to and influence different part of my future

Yes, this week has broadened my perspective and helped me see new possibilities in my field. The sessions gave me practical insights into how industry applies emerging technologies, which has motivated me to refine my career goals and explore areas I hadn't considered before.

Yes, I was initially interested in photonic integrated circuits design, even when I did not have sufficient knowledge of it. But listening to the presentation by Nathalie I have to give a thought about it.

Yes, this week has definitely influenced my study interests. The exposure to AI/ML in sensing (like plasmonics) and the high-level discussions about Thin Disk Laser limitations have reinforced my focus on the intersection of advanced photonics design and machine learning for real-time system optimization. It highlights the value of skills that bridge fundamental physics with computational and engineering applications.

Yes, it has greatly increased my interest in the application of photonics to digital and physical security systems. During the numerous presentations, I did pick up many instances where many things we are currently learning in class or would learn in later semesters come to play. Seeing how optics/photonics-based technologies are used in limitless applications broadened my perspective on what is possible and how I can apply the knowledge I will get during the programme.

It has given me a good perspective of what paths are there to choose from

yes, it let me know which part I am interested in. At psrs alumni lecture, when I listen Tobi's work of internship, I know something that's I want to do. At networking lunch, I am sure that I am gonna to continue study phd to learn more specific skills.

It has made me realize that i need to have a clearer idea of what specific area i would like to go into. I haven't figured out what that is but i know now that i must.



Yes, this week has influenced my career goals. I had the opportunity to meet Prof. Davit from Merck, which was an inspiring experience. I was able to share my interests in this field, ask for his advice, and learn more about the tools they currently use in their processes.

Has made me realise I need to more seriously consider my path after the masters and start working toward what I want to pursue.

It did not change my career goals but it gave me a wider vision that I maybe use this vision to adjust my career goals but not change it completely

It has perhaps now confirmed even more that I am interested in security / military applications of work.

It definitely gave me many interesting insights to have a better view of my career path. The sessions might not give me the direct answer but definitely gave me some sense of direction to the future



What additional topics/sessions/companies would you like to see during next year's industrial workshop?

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Current trends regarding photonic integrated circuit design.

ASML, ZEISS

I would like to see companies working on the integrated photonics field.

I would like to see more big companies with big manufacturing processes.

Researchers and companies in the field of computer vision and machine vision and other alumni from all tracks of the program

I'd like to see more sessions from computer vision-based companies, especially those working on image recognition, robotics, and AI applications in healthcare or agriculture. It would be great if local startups or research labs in this field could also participate

TRUMPF, Germany

More hands-on demos of optical technologies.

I would love to see more sessions on Image Processing and Computer Vision from Industrial side

About medical application of photonics and quantum

I would like to see more topics related to semiconductors and space technology.

Perhaps a more semiconductor focused talk. I feel lithography has a large crossover with our course and it would be interesting to learn more.

I will write the name of some companies (coherent/Lightmatter/Light Conversion)

Not sure.

Personally, I'd love to see some more companies working on the computer vision - data science side. And maybe more lunch sessions? The lunch was really fun



Do you have any suggestions or ideas for improvement for future editions?

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No

1- If there will be a poster session next year, it should be in a big empty hall so we do not speak over each other and have the space to be able to speak and explain well.

2- The round table should have a survey (just like this one) so people can agree on the relevant questions. I appreciate the effort done but many questions were irrelevant and repetitive. Also, the moderators should be more aware of the time.

Make some sessions shorter

Maybe we can make the poster session an annual event with a whole day dedicated for it with different evaluators not just M1 students. Maybe the external speakers could evaluate as well.

I did not enjoy the round tables. I think that a preplanned conversation does not flow naturally and it does not catch the attention of the listeners. The communication channel feels enclosed for the interviewer and the speaker leaving the audience outside from it. I suggest a more inclusive conversation between everyone for the next event.

Increasing the number of the days of the workshop to provide enough time for each speaker to present their research

The round table questions should be checked for redundancy.

1. Daily Schedule

- Issue: Daily fatigue reduces learning.
- Fix: Add more rest breaks.

2. Exams

- Issue: Immediate exams after workshops are too stressful.
- Fix: Mandate a one-week study buffer before exams.

3. Poster Grading

- Issue: M1 students can't fairly judge M2 work.
- Fix: M1s should only be visitors/learners, not markers. Let experts judge.

If possible, extending the workshop to a full week would help space out the sessions so that speakers are better distributed, and students can stay refreshed and more engaged throughout.

Spread it over 4,5 days and wrap up early because it gets tiring and hard to be attentive till 6 pm.



I hope everyday have more break time.

The poster session should be more organized.

The workshop was incredibly long, it requires better timekeeping

This is just my opinion, but I don't think it's necessary to focus too much on internship opportunities or general career advice, since everyone has their own interests and backgrounds. Instead of spending time on general questions like "what do I need to get this job?" I think it would be more valuable to hear about their day-to-day work, their company, and what they find inspiring about their careers.

Less regimented round table. Have set questions but ask follow ups and maybe allow audience interjections.

The roundtable should be adjusted: having the moderators ask the questions, left the audience a bit too passive. Instead, scrap questions at the end of each presentation (also keeps things on time) and have the moderators be the link between the audience asking the questions. This way, audience members write down questions they thought of during the presentations (or if necessary, prepare questions in advance) and then the roundtable becomes an active back-and-forth discussion of a variety of questions from different people in the audience and prevents similar questions being asked again in the roundtable.

I think the round table should involve more to the audience. So that it can flow more naturally without too much preparation.



Is there any thing else you would like to share about the workshop?

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Overall had an amazing experience. Im satisfied to get some knowledge

It was well organized and balanced between academic and industrial content. The mix of alumni, startups, and research talks made it very engaging.

I wanna thank prof.Nathalie and all iPSRS team for this valuable workshop

The Hubert Curien Lab was interesting, and there is value in short but numerous tours of the different labs, but I found it a lot of information to take in (entire projects condensed into a very short presentations makes it difficult to understand the broader aim of the project). Could just be something personal to me. Not sure what the solution could be, perhaps fewer but longer presentations which allow time for digestion.

Also, finding time for this is difficult, and having it fit into everyone's schedule is not easy, but it was unfortunately placed just before some exams which severely limited how much time I had to study.

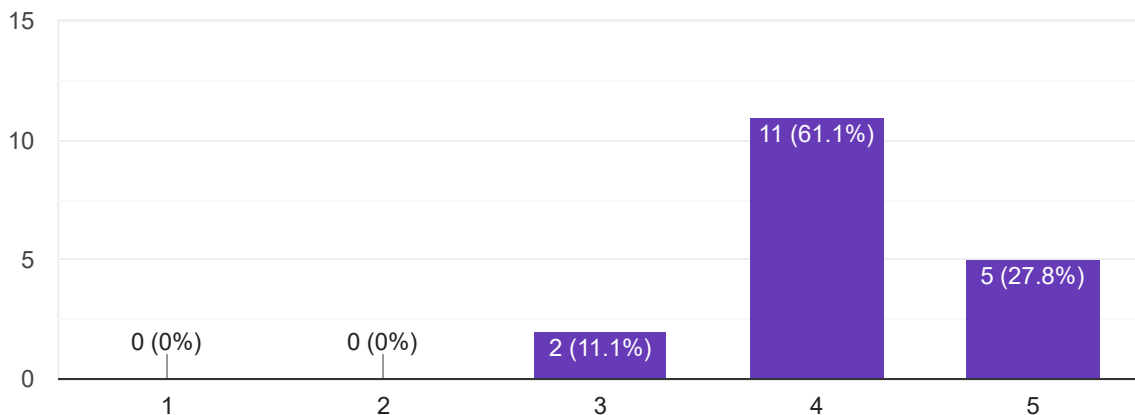
Thanks to everyone that makes the workshop become possible. It's a very exciting and interesting experience where I learned a lot. Hopefully there'll be more in the future

How would you rate your overall experience during the 2025 iPSRS Industrial Workshop?

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(1 = Poor, 5 = Excellent)

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