

Wednesday 28th June, 2017

**Summary: CICASP Seminar 61
Scientific Debates**

The topic of debate this session was lab-grown meat. Debating allows you to practise getting your points and arguments across clearly, logically and persuasively.

The format for the debate, for each pair of opposing debaters, was as follows:

- 1/ opening statements
- 2/ following through with your formal arguments (more detail)
- 3/ rebuttals: a chance to respond to each point made by the opposition

We listened to a lively debate between Duncan and Gao Gie, and then between Yuri and Hiroya. Each debater had prepared well, and, under pressure, also provided clear responses to the opposing side. Afterwards the audience broke into discussion groups. Finally, we voted as to who had been the most persuasive presenter. Gao Gie won the most audience votes this time.

Wednesday 19th July, 2017

**Outline: CICASP Seminar 62
Practice Presentations**

Before conferences in the summer, the CICASP Team offers students the opportunity to practise their talk/poster and get valuable feedback. We want to give students the chance to present to a small, friendly, helpful audience, before presenting at the 'real' conference. 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.

CICASP Seminar in Science Communication Schedule

Seminar 55	Bibliobattle: Persuasion 'by the book' (1/3)	April 19th
Seminar 56	Grant Writing Masterclass	April 26th
Seminar 57	Workshop Development Session	May 17th
Seminar 58	Bibliobattle: Persuasion 'by the book' (2/3)	May 24th
Seminar 59	Bibliobattle: Persuasion 'by the book' (3/3)	May 31st
Seminar 60	Scientific Debates (1/2)	June 21st
Seminar 61	Scientific Debates (2/2)	June 28th
Seminar 62	Practice Presentations	July 19th
Seminar 63	TBA	July 26th
Seminar 64	Practice Presentations	Aug 2nd