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Earlier this week, this year's CERN openlab summer students presented their work in two dedicated public lightning talk sessions. In 5-minute presentations, each student explained the technical challenges they have faced and described the results of what they have been working on for the nine weeks they have spent at CERN.

Projects presented covered a diverse range of topics, including high-performance computing, big data, visualisation, and machine learning.

The lightning talks were split into two sessions. A panel composed of CERN IT department experts and the audience voted for their three preferred talks from each session.

The winners from the first session ^[3] were as follows:

1st place: Mayank Sharma ^[4] (*real-time visualization tool* ^[5]?).

2nd place: Shubham Gupta ^[6] (*database consistency verification for CMS metadata* ^[7]?).

3rd place: Dominik Ernst ^[8] (*performance studies on different accelerators using OpenCL* ^[9]?).

The winners from the second session ^[10] were as follows:

1st place: Ahmad Hesam ^[11] (?Human Brain Development Project ^[12]?).

2nd place: Dinika Saxena ^[13] (?resource visualisation ^[14]?).

3rd place: Esther Kok ^[15] (?GeneROOT? ^[16]).

