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ACEEPT Project Week 2017

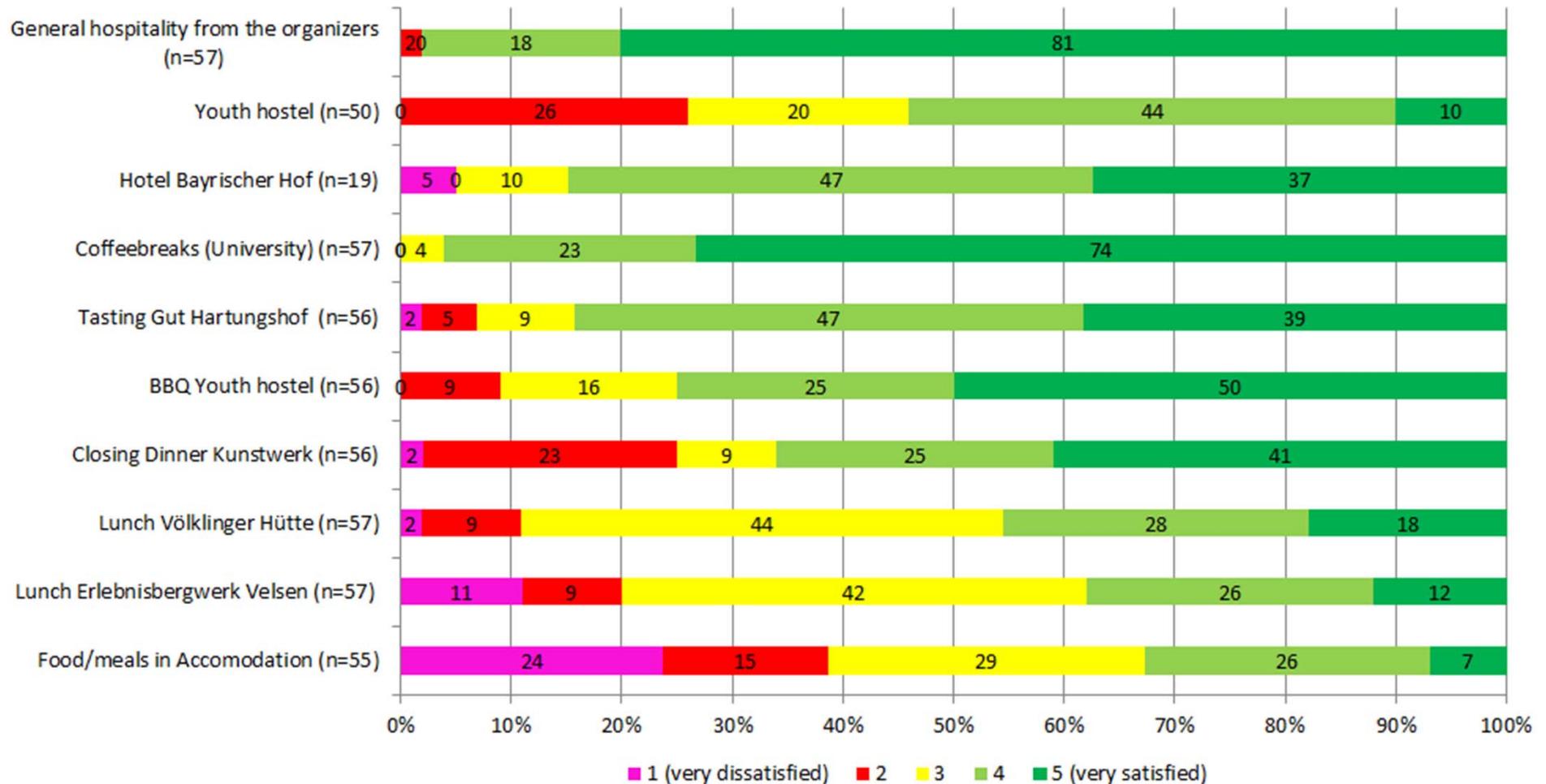
November 19th-25th, 2017

htw saar, Saarbrücken/ Germany

Feedback results

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→ Accomodation/Hospitality



→ Comments

In my opinion it **wasn't necessary to divide the group** (the country) to stay in the hostel rooms. Anyway we didn't study during the night and didn't really communicate after our intensive schedule. So, I guess it would be more convenient to live in the one room with people you know.

Maybe more **information about picking** up etc

Besides the food from the hostel, but hostel food is hostel food, it was an amazing experience which will last for life! A bit rushed, but I understand since it has to be jammed in 5 days. Truly loved it!

Vegetarians had the same food every single night.

The host committee was excellent! The hostel accomodation was the only crucial point: **meal time very soon, rooms with just two keys, no free wi fi.**

thank you to the fantastic great hosts! Maybe organize first Sunday ice breaker in international teams already?

From my humble opinion, It would have been nice to **know how lunch meals were going to be in advance.**

If lunch is rather scarce (tasting products at the farms), I could have had a more copious breakfast, for example. But everything was great!

Thank you: very great team which gave us a very warm welcome!

everything excellent!

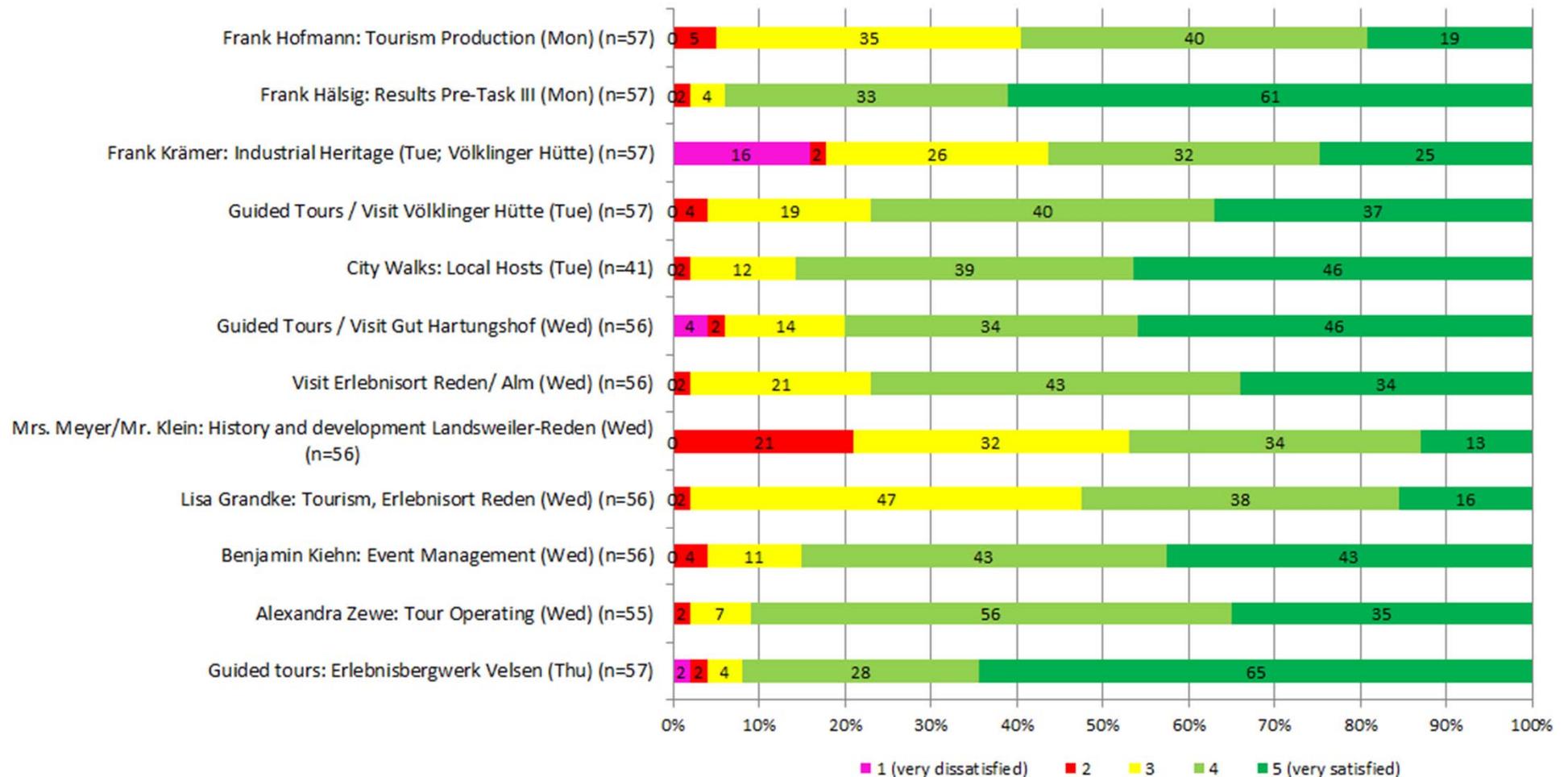
I cannot understand, why we should **pay for internet connection** and every day the **same salad** is not that special

Maybe make sure there are people at the train/bus station to pick everyone up and guide them back to the hostel/school.

THANK YOU ! Great german hospitality ;-)



→ Keynote speakers/ Excursions



→ Comments

Everything was perfect

unfortunately, the **guides did not speak English very well**

Alexandra was outstanding

Focus even more on how they get the numbers, instead of the actual numbers. Sometimes it felt like we could have Googled that information. We wanted more of how they got there.

The guide in the erlebnisbergwerk was difficult to understand due to his limited English knowledge. We weren't able to see anything on the alm, we were only there for the key note speeches and left right after that was a bit disappointing.

The tour in the mining site was very good, for me one of the most interesting, but, unfortunately the guide wasn't so good in english.

really really great!!! especially feedback on pretask, Frau Zewe, and Cosplay Festival! very inspirational!!! contentwise and English very very good! thank you

Perhaps one key note speaker for the history and tourism of Reden would have been sufficient.

Very nice / if possible, only speakers who speak English (**translation German>English is very time-consuming**)

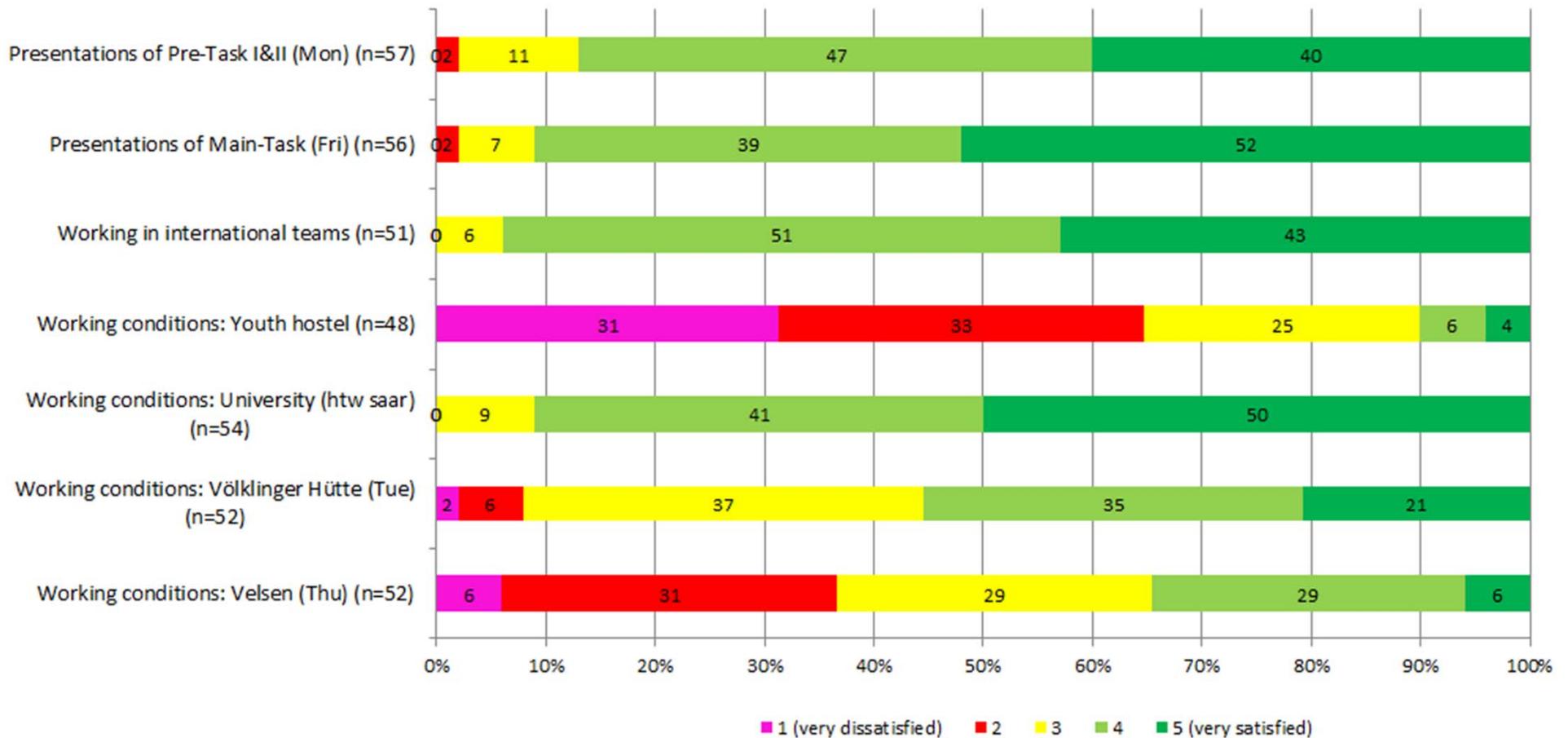
Would be better to shorten up the presentations and to organise an interesting powerpoint

Make sure there is enough **brake time during presentation** and maybe **don't put 4-5 presentations** back tot back, this was to long. Also for me the tasting at the farm was very nice but i didn't make the link with the tour we got with the horses and all. Also try to avoid german speaker (so working With translators)

With this amount of people we always have big rooms and **people often think they speak louder than they actually do ;-)** When listening for several hours, a microphone is most welcome...



→ The „work hard“ part



→ Comments

Difficult to work on the task **without internet connection in the hostel**

Maybe have someone **explain how to work in a team**. The challenge I encountered was working with people who don't have experience with that. Very focused on their own part, but ultimately not used to connect each part to the bigger picture and understand the full and end concept. Also, at Velsen it was quite hard to work since we were split up and ended up repeating the same thing all over again for those who were on tours.

There was rarely any Wi-Fi. In other **university we had to sit in the hallway**.

great

For the Youth hostel, It would have been nice for students to have free wifi connection

the group work in Velsen was difficult **because each member was in a different guided tour**

In Velsen our teams were splitted in languages, thererfore we had no time to work efficiently on our task

Host team had everything under control (also technical part): congrats!

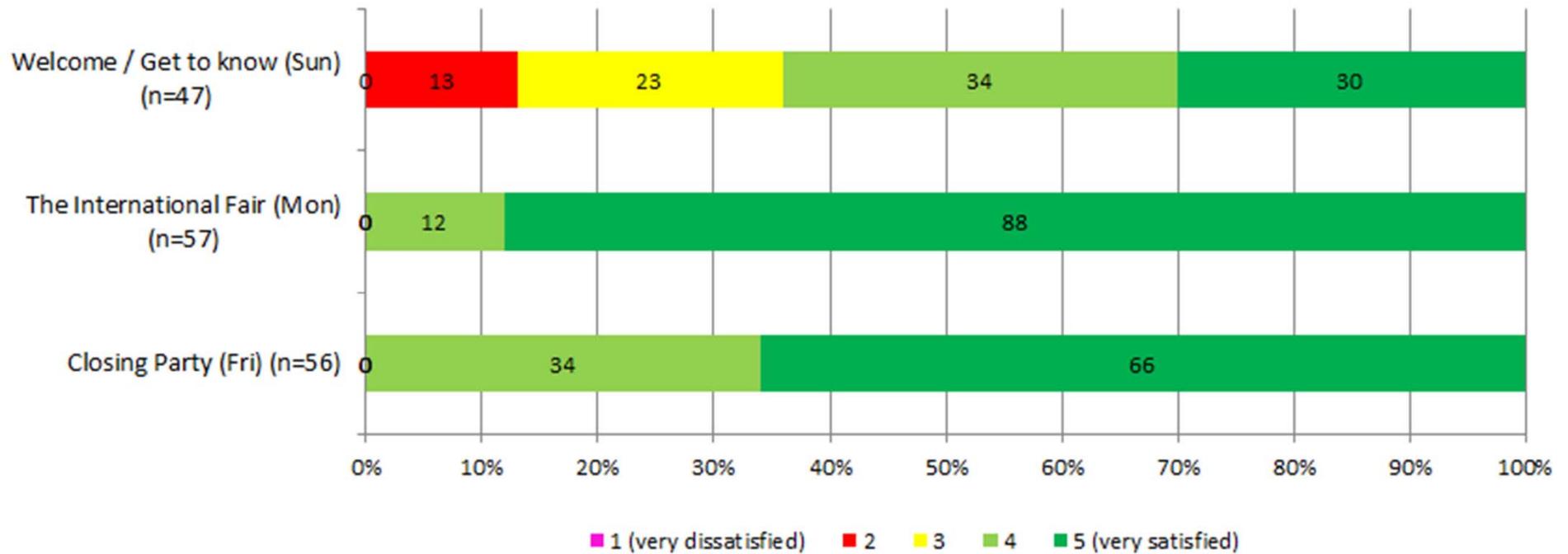
wifi connection at hostel, just that

Make sure there is wifi for every divise in the hostel.

Ideally wifi should be at disposal for the students when they work in team (research)



→ The „play hard“ part



→ Comments

No pick up at the train station

Everything was very nice, The **Get to know game was to short**, we were looking for something after, idem for the internal fair

Enjoyed this part her much. Was able to speak with many people and get to know them. Having the fair on the first day **helped me interact with th people later**, since we had something to talk about.

The host committee knew very well how to party hard!

Everything was excellent!

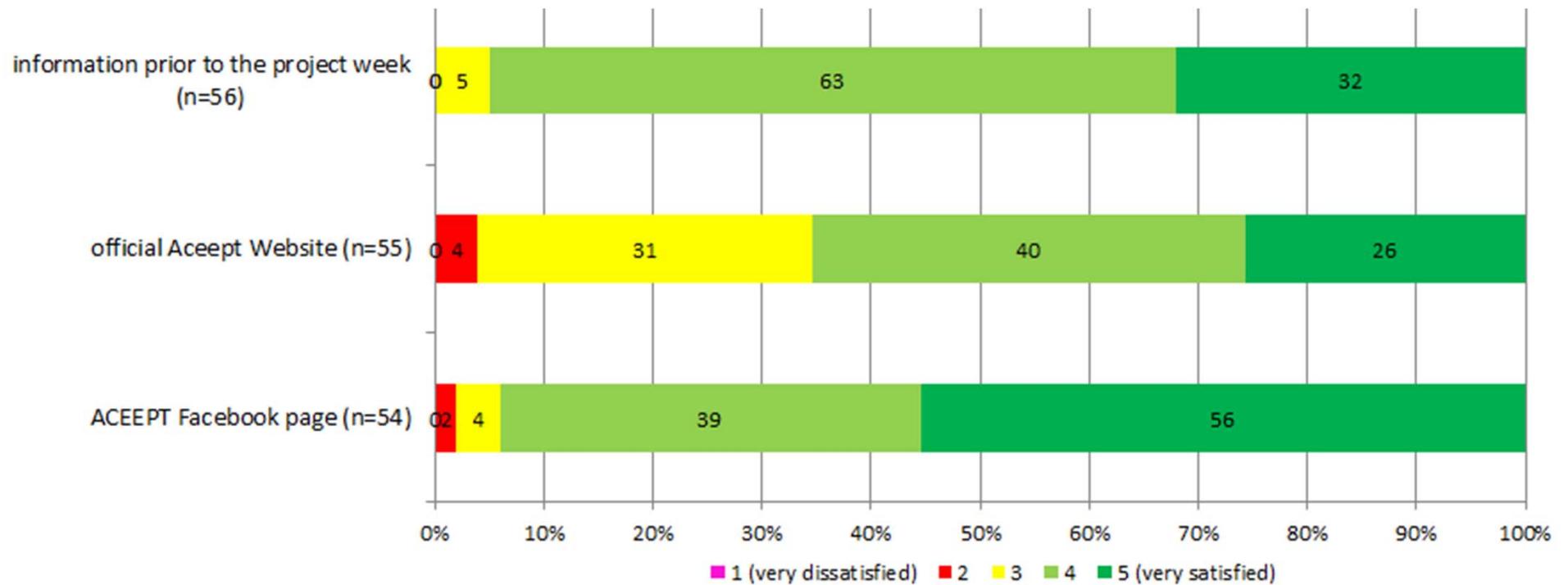
We were not able to work in the youth hostel and sometimes we **haven't had enough time to do the group work during the day**

It was a very nice closing venue. For the welcoming part it would be great if something more bonding and less rushed would be organisee, it was a fun game but you didn't really have time to talk to someone.

Great effort, stay on this path ;-)



→ Communication



→ Comments

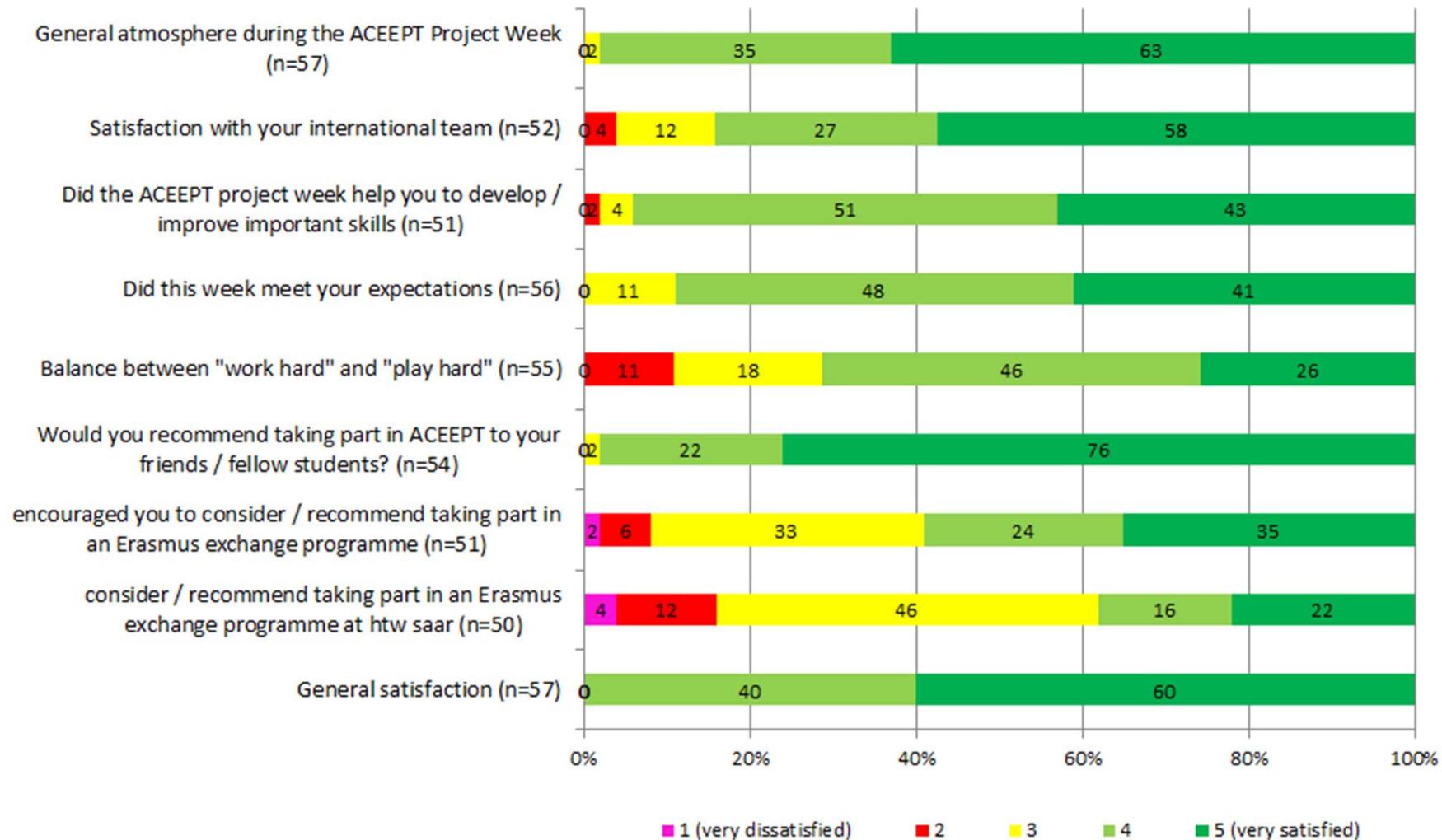
Maybe ask the **teachers to tell students more about former international fairs** so they don't feel like they did too little for their stand. More on what to expect and know how to work with that.

I did not use the facebook page, just the group which was nice as we were able to see the other groups beforehand.

interesting topics of the key notes speeches, great informative website

I think this segment is really good and good organised. All the information needed is find here.

→ General satisfaction





What would you say are the important and relevant skills you have developed thanks to the ACEEPT Project Week?

Not so Much. But the **networking** is a pure gold mine (8) // **Intercultural** aspects; **language** skills. // THE SKILLS OF **MARKETING** // **Team working** skills, **adaptability** skills // Intercultural management // **working in group**, english // I learned **new theories** related to the tourism studies. Also, I discovered **new programs** for making presentations and enhanced my social skills. // It was great for devolving **communication** skills // Working as a **team leader**, selecting through ideas and finding a way to structure it, reshape ideas and include everyone's contribution. // International network // Presentation // **Accepting cultural differences**. Especially when working in a team it is important to realize that everyone has a different background and works differently. // **Managerial skills** of international group and communication // Presentation skills // Work with other people from other countries // Communications and teamwork skills, **time management** skills // **Patience** // New contacts and knowledge about other regions and know-how // speaking English // **open-mindedness** towards international group works, new view of the **Saarland** // adapting to different ways of working, english skills // Team work, taking constructive criticism // work with people from other countries & ages and create something incredible // **Thinking outside the box**, find solutions // Clear communication, managing international teams // Public speaking, communication skills, teamwork // **Drinking techniques** (no just joking) // Team work & language skills



→ What did you like most?

Beside all the **Keynote speakers**, then it is all the **new friends** and the opportunities for more networking (8) // The **international fair** (2) // **THE GROUP WORK** // The whole **organization** // **Everything** // KEY note // Gut Hartungshof, Diner Gala // To meet and work with new people // Working in **international teams** // Perfect organization // **Interaction** with international people // **exploring new places**, meeting with fantastic colleagues, and the overall **pace of the week** (not too hectic) // International group work // **Closing party** // Alexandra's keynote speaking, the international atmosphere and the friday night party // **The international environment and European feeling.** // Meeting people from around Europe/ the world // BergWerk Velsen // The excursions // Keynote speaks // **Interaction** with many different people. Especially during the international fair. // The **spirit of the week** and the cooperation // RIMOCO :-)) // International teams, roommates... // The climate and good predisposition of the organizing committee and the staff. Also, I really enjoyed the visit to the **coal mine**. // International fair // the friendly **atmosphere** // **local host team** // **the Völklinger Hütte, the Gut Hartungshof and Bergwerk Velsen** // Being able to improve my **language**, get to know international students // Trips to the production sites // the atmosphere of friendship with the students and teachers, **incredible experience** // The **Schwenker** and the Völklinger Hütte (guided tour) // The variety of visited locations, keynote speakers // The gala diner at the end, Völklinger hutte and the mine // Atmosphere // Gut Hartungshof



→ What did you like least?

The **food of the hostel** was not very inspirational and with that **busy schedule** the food need to be better and more inspirational and filling (8) // The hostel // Nothing // Volklinger hurte visit // **Guided tour in Volklinger Hutte** because we did not see everything // There was a huge difference in how "mature" and ambitious the students were. **People were not paying any attention during presentations** og speaks. Also, I would have preferred to **stay at the youth hostel with people from my home country**. // Pre tasks // Sometimes too **intensive schedule**; and there was **no normal tour during the day time in saarbrucken**, so I'm sad about it // Maybe **not all the excursions were useful to the students** (e.g the farm) // The **wifi connection** at the youth hostel // **Keynote speakers** // Hostel food and that it was only 5 days. We want more // We didn't really connected with the other countries outside the main task. Maybe we needed more fun/work related so we get to know each other more. Instead a **lot of countries stayed together within their national team** // Reden, Hostel // The food // The **main task was very vague** and we had a lot of stress finishing it. Additionally, I didn't like the **judging part**. Especially because the idea from the winning team already exists. // **Lack of time**, even to visit Saarbruecken city // the farm visit // Not so much 'free time' to rest a little bit // The presentations on wednesday afternoon
Lunch in the farm and visit to Reden (just to say something) // The fact that we had to wait... // some meals, specially on Wednesday // the hostel // the tight program and the **absence of breaks** // the food in the youth hostel // **Very little free time and the access to the Internet** at the youth hostel // that the **days only had 24 hours**, they must have been longer // The presentations at the Völklinger Hütte // Food at the hostel, apart from the phenomenal barbecue // The guided tour on the farm and that we didn't visit the saar bow. // ??

No freetime



→ Suggestions

More free time in the morning/afternoon to discover the city... We did not see the city, only by night. The Saar loop was mentioned by a picture but we did not visit it, unfortunately // All was great, maybe it would be better a little bit less intensive; Need a **quick tour in the city center of saarbrücken**; also the accommodation-better to **stay with the people you know already**, because anyway you are not communicating during the night, but to stay with your friends more convenient. (to divide us in the group to work in is a great idea, but not in the case of living. // Bravo and THANK YOU! // You did a great job! // **Wi-fi** is a really important feature for the "work hard" part. It could have been better visiting the city of Saarbrücken and, probably, living a bit more of typical atmosphere of the region. // **A visit to the saarbow** // Foreign students stated they had wished to be able to explore the city during opening times. Even if this was not a fun excursion, I would recommend to give them the time to do so (2 hours maybe)

A big congrats! // just say thank you for an amazing week, congratulations all of you! // it was a very interesting week and I have learned very much and I have visited places, I have never heard about, even if I have spent some time in the region. thank you for the good organisation.

// **A bit of free time somewhere in the week.** //

It would be nice if your **roommates were different from your teammates** so you meet more and different people. // THANKS to the whole organising team ! // **let's do the same thing again next year!!!** :-) huge thank you to all of you

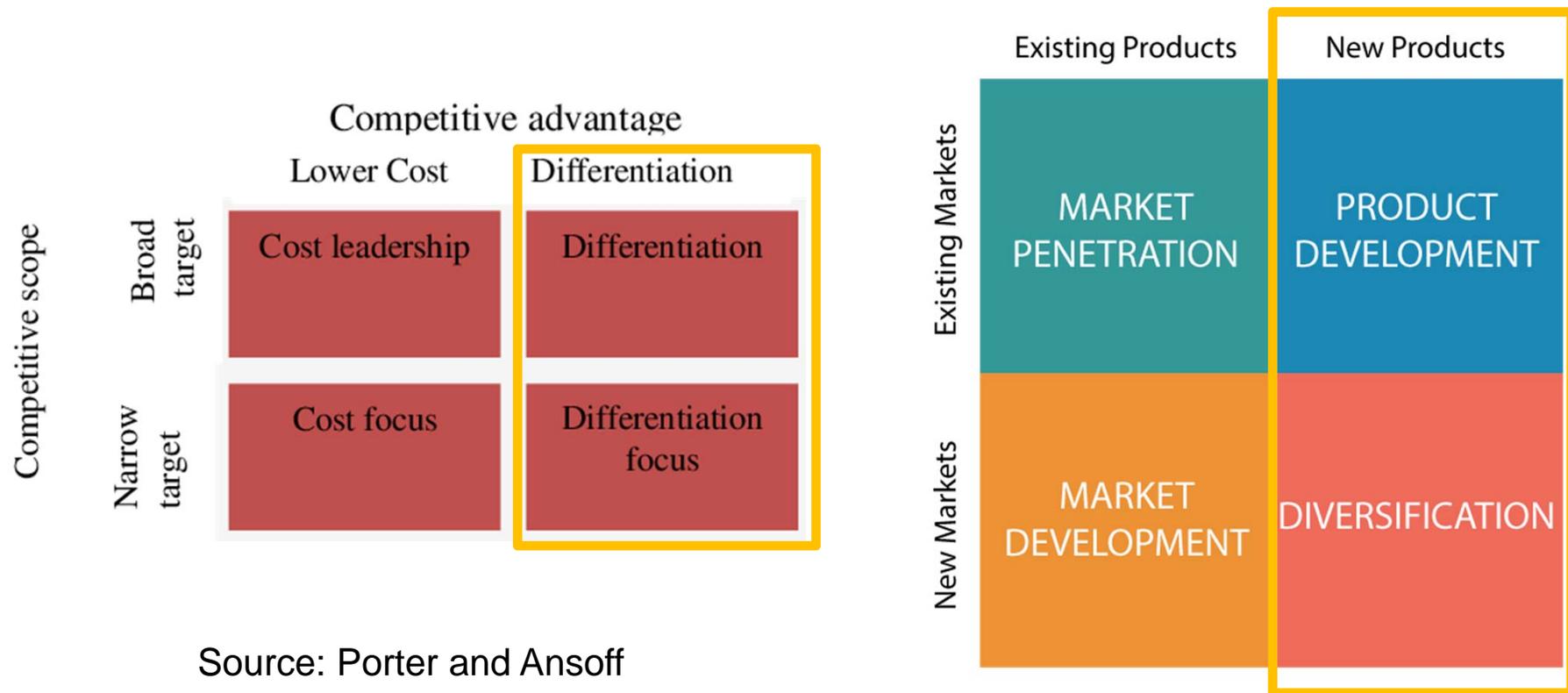


→ **ACEEPT Project Week 2018:**
November 25th- December 1st, 2018

***„Same same, but different“ –
Differentiation in Tourism [or: New Products in Tourism]***



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Source: Porter and Ansoff