

Survey Results for MICRO-41 in Lake Como, Italy

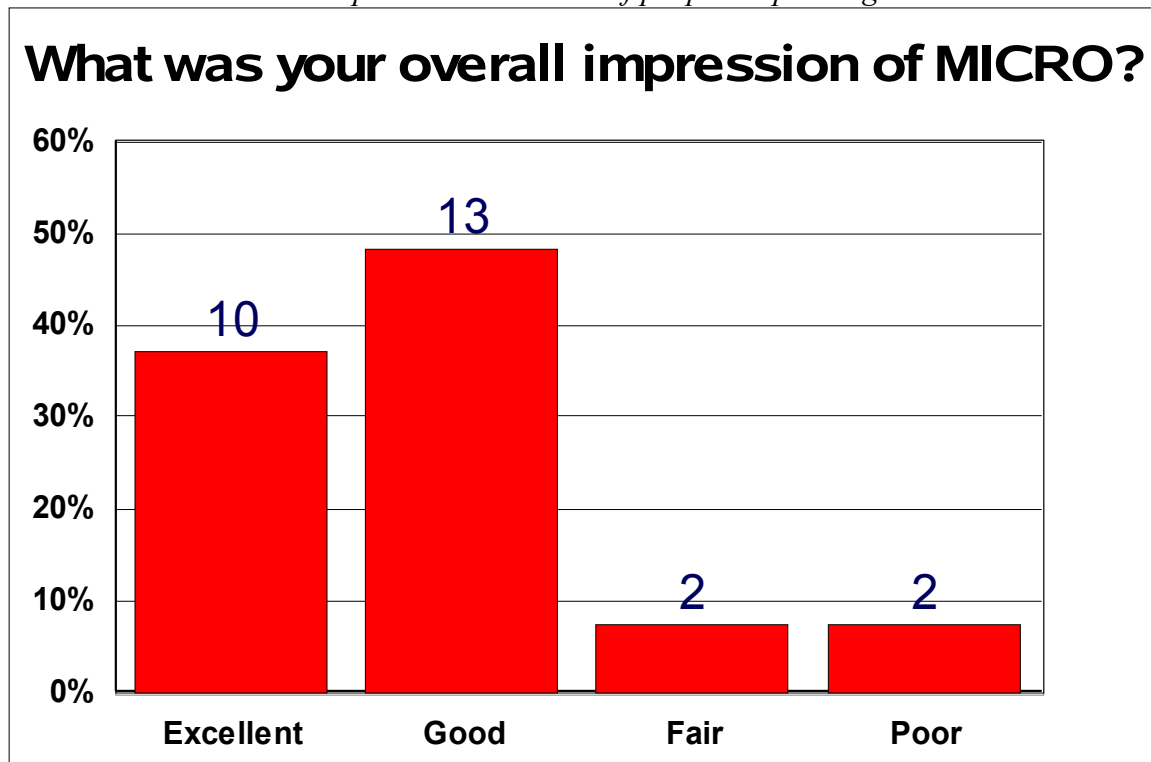
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Survey Questions:

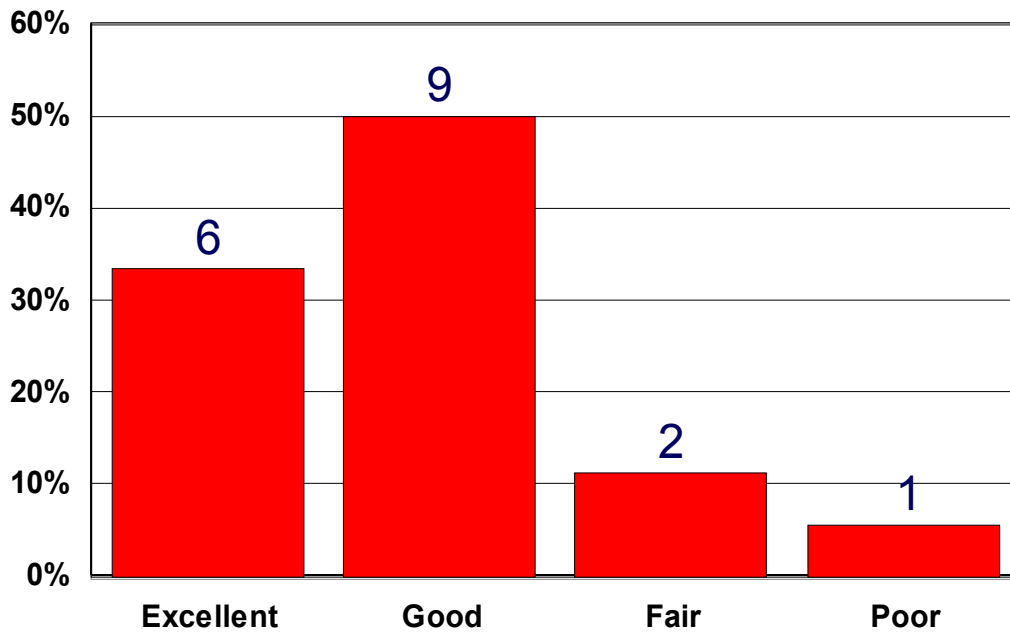
- What was your overall impression of MICRO?
- What was your impression of the MICRO Workshops?
- What was your impression of the MICRO tutorials?
- What is your impression of this Lake Como venue for MICRO?
- What is your impression of the food served at MICRO?
- What is your impression of the organization of MICRO?
- How well did the Program Committee do in selecting papers?
- For submitting authors: How was the quality of reviews that you received?
- Authors should be allowed to write rebuttals to reviews.
- Please provide any other comments.

27 people answered the survey.

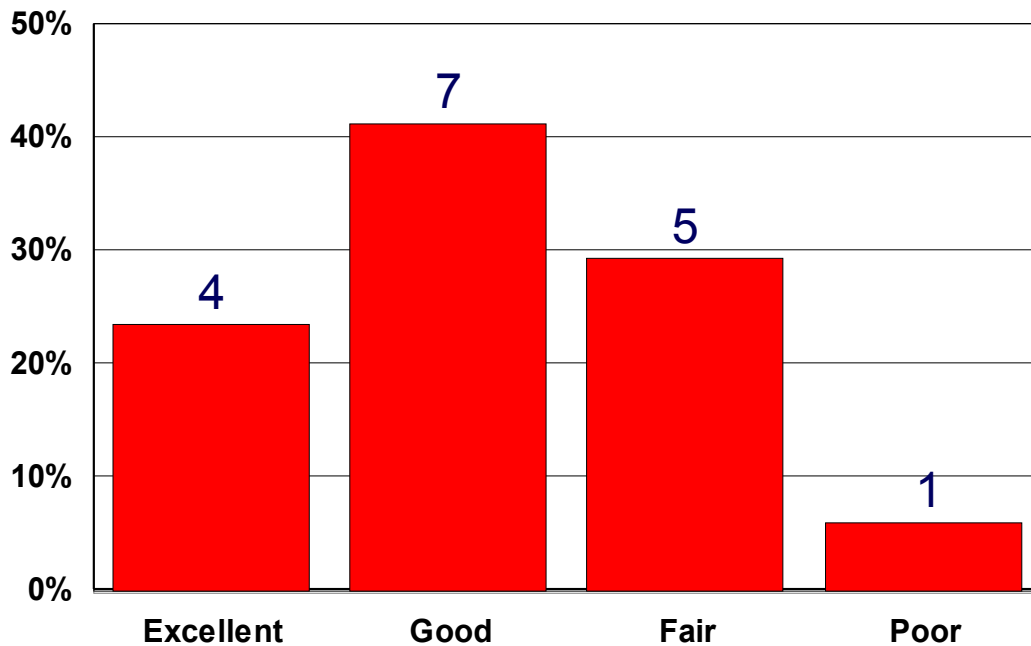
Numbers above the bars represent the number of people responding with that answer.



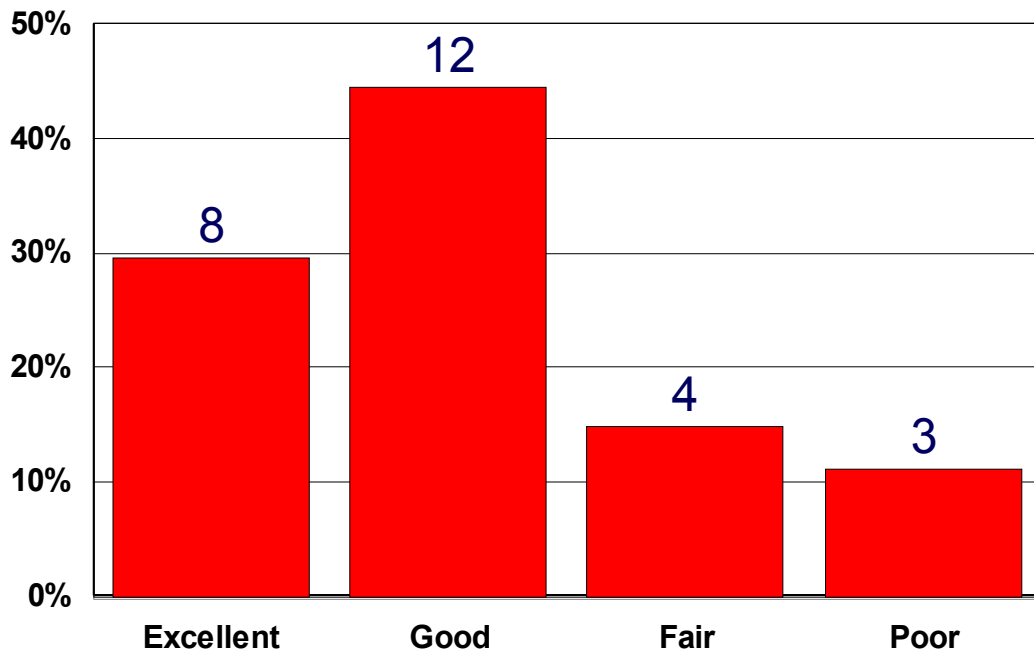
What was your impression of the MICRO Workshops?



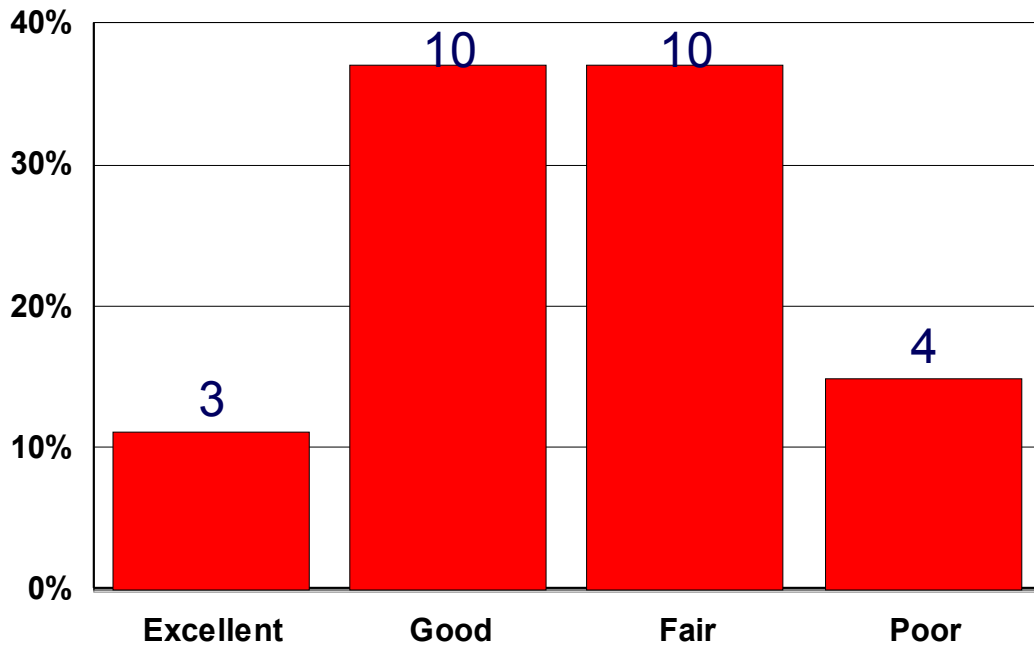
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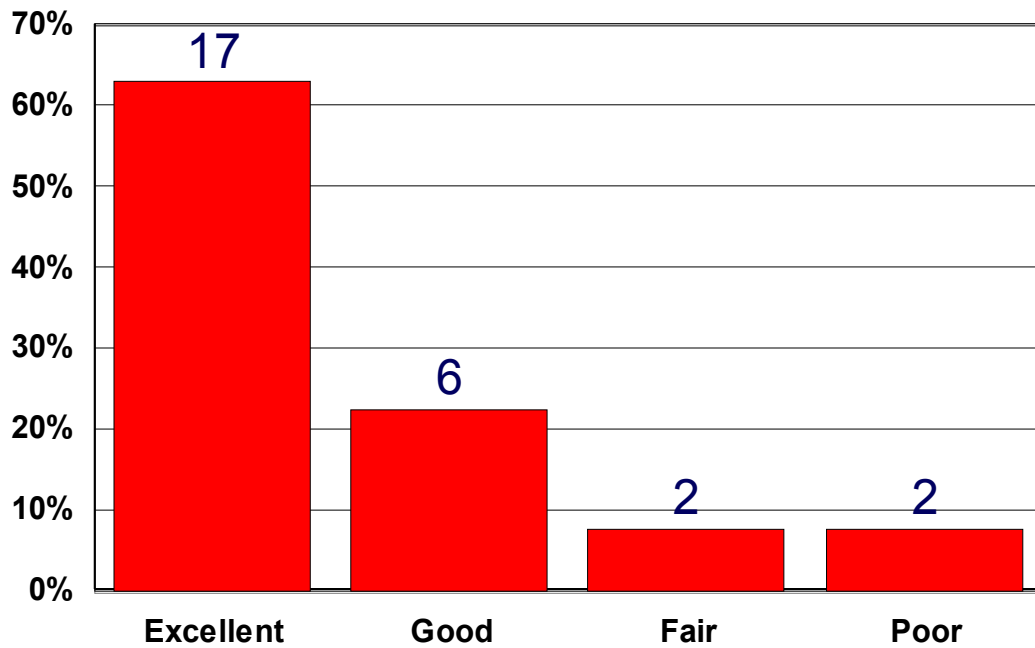
What is your impression of this Lake Como venue for MICR



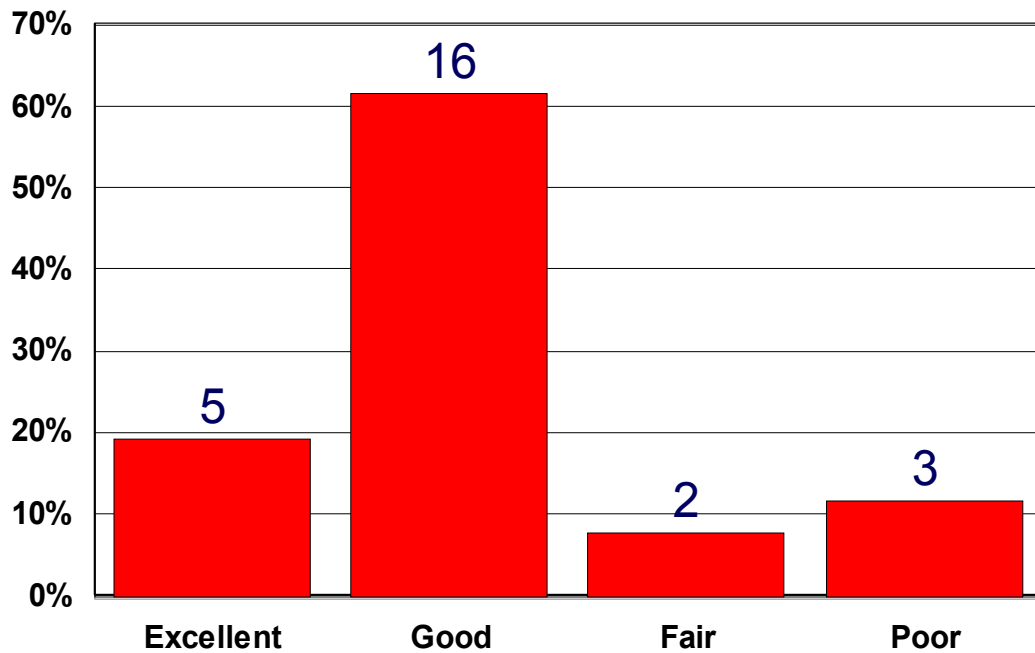
What is your impression of the food served at MICRO?



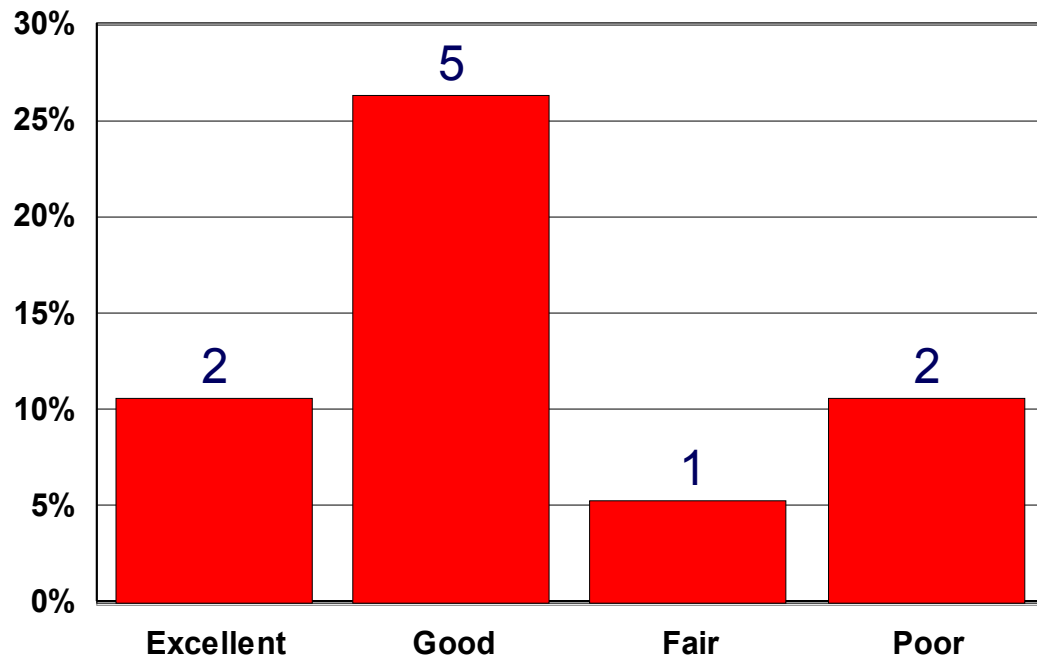
What is your impression of the organization of MICRO?



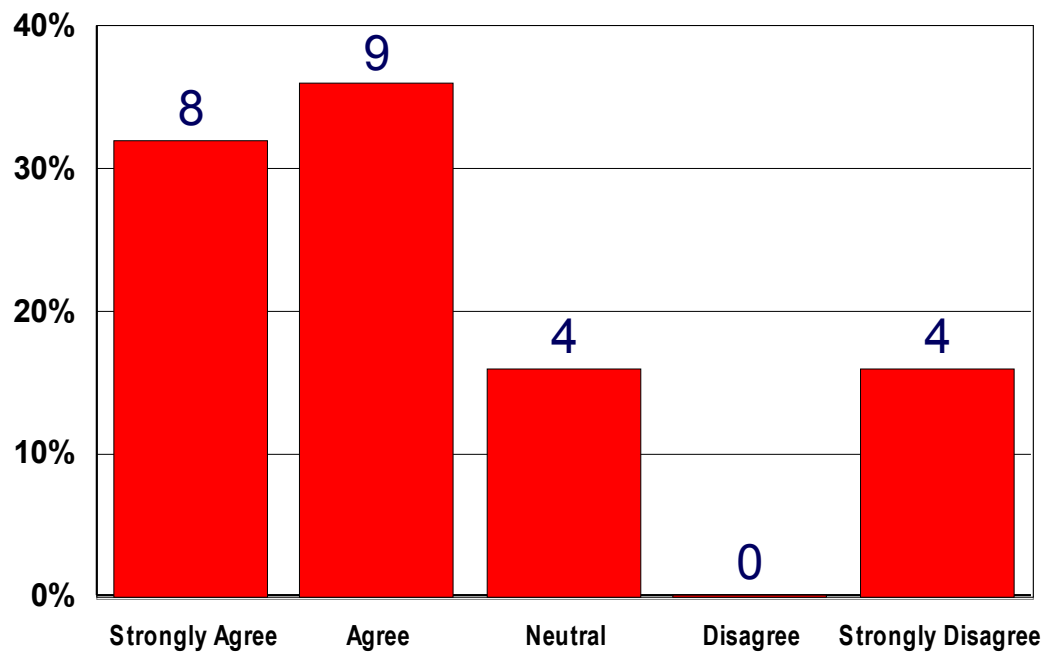
How well did the Program Committee do in selecting paper



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Other Comments

1. Major credit to Cristina. Excellent job.
2. I was disappointed by the lack of reliable internet access at all and that there was no internet access in the hotel rooms. The hotel wasn't centrally located even in Como, and being 45 minutes from the airport wasn't so great. Overall, having MICRO in Italy was great, but the specific hotel logistics and location perhaps weren't so great. Thank you so much, however, for arranging the shuttle bus. I think everyone really appreciated having an easy and cost-effective way to get to and from the airport.
3. WiFi connectivity was an issue. Should check capability beforehand if possible.
4. Wireless did not work most days.
5. The Internet connectivity was terrible and should be fixed before we return to that venue. The food was OK, but given it was Italy I expected more. That bread and fat scrapple they served at Tuesday dinner was frightful. I really liked the main room with its cool architecture and diffuse light.
6. Regarding the "poor" rating for question 4: while the location Como per se was a great choice and the organization by the local committee excellent, the conference hotel obviously lacked some professionalism required for hosting such a conference. Already from Saturday on the internet connection successively died as the access points seemed to be unable to handle the sheer amount of DHCP requests. While the conference organizers tried their very best, there was not much they could do (but never the less took the great effort to speed up the internet connection by setting up an extra 15MBit link) as it was a problem of the hotel hardware demanding for a reset. In the end, only few access points remained generally operational. What also was rather annoying, was the hotel bar service. One should think that for the high prices for drinks (which were twice of the prices at the nearby pizza place) the waiters would be very caring and attentive, instead, it was almost hard to order two drinks per evening. Since the bar closed already at 11pm, it was next to impossible to getting drinks after 10pm, which several attendees solved pragmatically by buying their drinks in the nearby supermarket.
7. I'm not sure how one should answer question 7. It all depends on what papers were submitted. For questions 9 and 10 it is important that the PC members go over the rebuttals and for reviewers to focus on what is different on a paper. I was very pleased with the local arrangements. I found the hotel quite expensive but the conference volunteers were very helpful at all times. Please congratulate them on our behalf.
8. PC members should not publish papers in the conference.
9. The internet connection didn't work most of time and most of the people from the hotel were rude. Same goes for some of the organization, although some were very nice and helpful.

10. Overall it was a really nice conference and I enjoyed my time here. I think the location could have been better, since Como is a bit too small and the hotel itself is located quite a distance outside the small city. The hotel was not really a place that one wanted to spend extra time in the evenings, especially due to the somewhat poor food (mainly lunch!) but sometimes there were no other choices. Otherwise, good talks and good organization!

11. The local arrangements for this conference are a total mess. Whoever is managing the network in particular is totally incompetent. Even this survey shows gross incompetence: instead of a simple web link from the main micro page attendees have to type in this bizarre link in hopes of reaching this survey? What are you thinking? Next time, I strongly urge that MICRO contract out network services to professionals.