



Press release

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PRACE Announces Summer of HPC 2015 Award Winners!

It is our pleasure to announce the two young researchers, recognised for their outstanding performance in the PRACE Summer of HPC 2015 programme.

On 15 December 2015 the SoHPC awards ceremony took place at the Barcelona Supercomputing Centre (BSC), Spain where **dr. Oriol Pineda, PRACE Member of the Board of Directors**, presented awards to **Alberto García García** from Spain and to **Simos Kazantzidis** from Greece.

PRACE HPC Ambassador Award

Alberto excelled in composing well-written blog posts that achieved a huge reach on a variety of social media channels, and doubled the SoHPC YouTube views. He also presented his results in a unique and interesting way that was clear, concise and entertaining for the target audience. His overall work on leading edge technology was of a very high quality.

Read more about Alberto at: <https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/participants-2015-albert-garcia/>

See Alberto's visualization at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_RgilXn-zg&list=PLhpKvYInDmFWOuHOQvRPiMQr6ep_Gbwtd&index=17

Best Visualisation Award

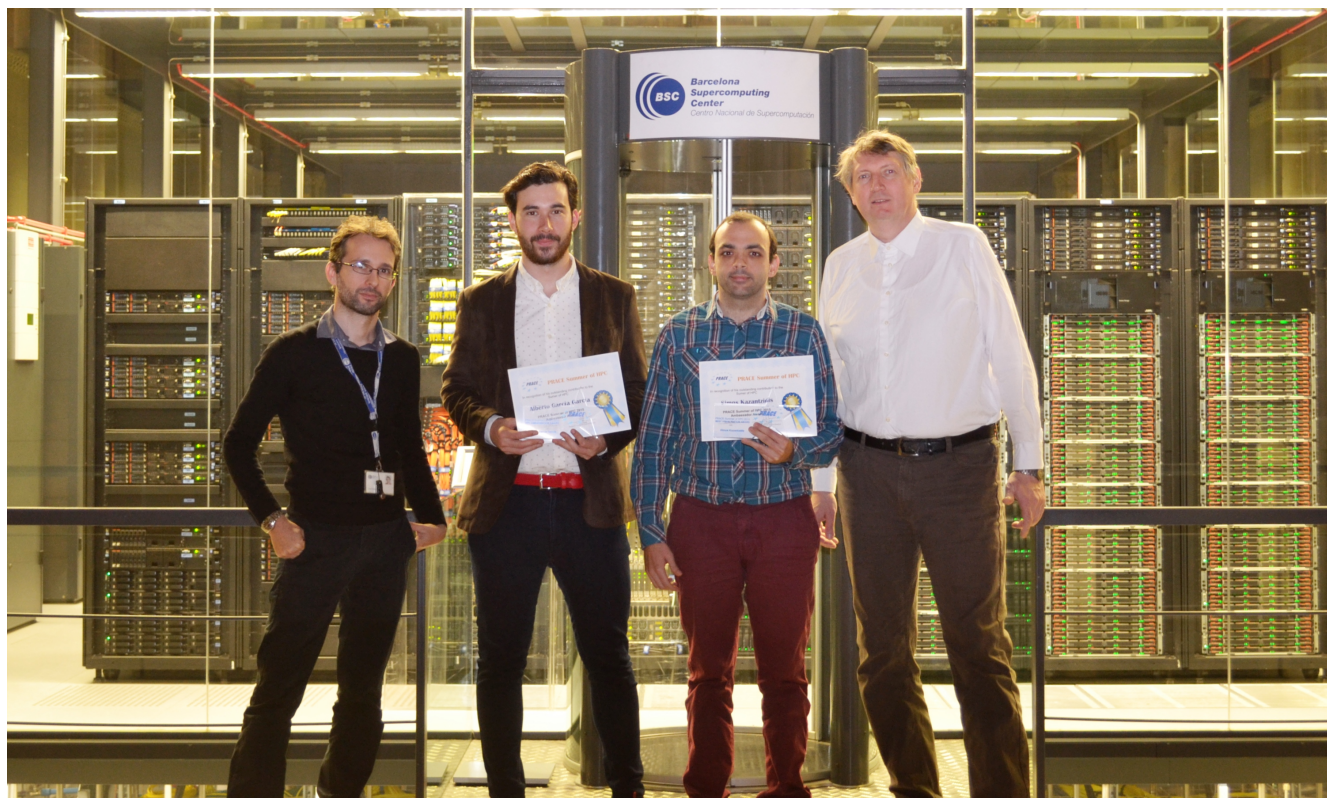
Simos achieved an elegant visualisation with an original combination of representations, creating an impressive and usable front-end with a combination of charts and 3D representations of molecules. The combination of 2D and 3D representations side by side, the interactivity and the effective use of colour produced a user interface that demonstrated routine ease of use for end users. Overall, his visualisation was of a high quality and represented an excellent technical achievement. See Simos's winning visualization at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLhpKvYInDmFWOuHOQvRPiMQr6ep_Gbwtd&v=gd_6evV84LA

Read more about Simos at: <https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/participants-2015-simos-kazantzidis/>



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Award winners Alberto García García and Simos Kazantzidis with dr. Oriol Pineda, PRACE Member of the Board of Directors and dr. Leon Kos, University of Ljubljana, PRACE SoHPC 2015 Coordinator



Awards

*"We are very proud of the outstanding achievements by these young researchers," says **dr. Leon Kos, University of Ljubljana, PRACE SoHPC 2015 Coordinator**. "The PRACE SoHPC Awards Ceremony is an excellent opportunity to showcase these outstanding results. No doubt that this will be an important milestone in the careers of these young scientists."*

Congratulations



Congratulations to Alberto and Simos on their awards and congratulations to all the other participants in the programme for their excellent work. The SoHPC team wishes everyone all the best in their future work.

PRACE Summer of HPC 2016 is getting ready!

If you would like to spend the summer working abroad at an European High Performance Computing (HPC) Centre stay tuned for further information on opening date for applications:

<https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/>

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About summer of HPC

Summer of HPC is a PRACE programme that offers summer placements at HPC centres across Europe. Up to 20 top applicants from across Europe are selected to participate every year. Participants spend two months working on projects related to PRACE technical or industrial work to produce a visualisation or video. The programme usually runs from July 1st, to August 31th. Flights, accommodation and a stipend is provided to all successful applicants.

More information about PRACE SoHPC programme: <https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/>

About PRACE

The Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe (PRACE) is an international non-profit association with its seat in Brussels. The PRACE Research Infrastructure provides a persistent world-class high performance computing service for scientists and researchers from academia and industry in Europe. The computer systems and their operations accessible through PRACE are provided by 4 PRACE members (BSC representing Spain, CINECA representing Italy, GCS representing Germany and GENCI representing France). The Implementation Phase of PRACE receives funding from the EU's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7/2007-2013) under grant agreement RI-312763 and from the EU's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (2014-2020) under grant agreement 653838. For more information, see www.prace-ri.eu

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