It was my first time going for physics conference. I was very excited, since the conference was held in Krakow, Poland, which is located around the center of Europe. When I first arrived at Krakow, I can certainly feel the European style that include the architectures, foods, and of course, the people.

Many people presented their research works in the conference. They did the research during their summer vocations, or as a part of their Master/PhD programs. I presented my first URECA work on Singapore Changi Radar data. It was also my first time to present in this kind of semi formal audiences. Following the advice from my professor, I tried to present the work as simple as I could in 20 minutes. The art of presentation is how you present something that can be understood by as many audiences as you could. I put up a lot of diagrams, and simplified a lot of concepts, and as result, many people came and asked me about the work in further details. Overall, ICPS has been a good exposure to me to the Physics conference, and also a chance for me to build connection with many young Physicists around the world.

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