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Dear ISC Attendees, Presenters, Vendors, Sponsors, and Friends:

On behalf of your ISC2020 Committee and our event host, IBRBS, we thank all of you for the trust placed in us. This unpredictable global health crisis has substantially impacted all of us – specifically, our plans for the ISC Atlanta this September 3-5. The health and safety of our attendees, presenters, vendors, and sponsors is uppermost on our minds. We have monitored conditions across the USA, listened to suggestions, and followed the science. We have constantly maintained your best interests.

That said, today we regretfully announce the cancellation of the ISC2020 Atlanta. We are notifying you, our attendees, and supporters, first. We have others to notify. We are taking action to change plans. Look for detailed information as we work through these changes. This takes time – please, be patient. Transparency is essential - here is the outline we are working from:

- We will ensure all people and/or organizations with an interest in the event are notified
- We are working with BOTH Hyatt hotels to cancel ALL ISC2020 reservations without penalties/cost to you. Please **DO NOT CALL** the Hyatt to cancel; wait for their cancellation email. If you booked a room(s) elsewhere, not with either Hyatt, you do need to cancel those reservations.
- We are envisioning a NEW and exciting celebration for ISC 2022 in Atlanta. Negotiations are underway with the Grand Hyatt Atlanta. We have their proposal for the “redo” of this event. We are planning for late April 2022. Watch for announcements as details are confirmed
- We are working on a plan to allow your ISC2020 registration fee(s) to rollover towards the 2022 event.
- We are assessing options for those that pre-purchased 2020 merchandise and those who may still want to buy memorabilia
- We are taking an accounting of our revenue and expenses. This allows us to determine the amount of refund that might be available to those that do not wish to commit now for the Atlanta 2022 event. This work takes time;





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again, please be patient. It will likely be several weeks before we release details.

Your understanding and patience are greatly appreciated as we adapt from cancelling the ISC2020 event to managing all aspects necessary to plan ISC2022. Your ISC Committee has spent thousands of hours on ISC 2020 to make it great. We will invest many more hours settling 2020 cancellation details and looking ahead to 2022. Plans for the ISC2022 location were in the works; that work is now set aside as we plan to be in Atlanta in 2022.

We ask that you refrain from calling, writing, or sending questions in any way until August 1st, 2020. We will communicate with you as decisions are reached. We have the same number of hours in a week as you do. Like you, we have responsibilities outside ISC/IBRBS. Please let us use time efficiently; we do not have the capacity to answer questions individually.

Thank you again for hanging in with us over these past months. This decision is not what we wanted! We are confident that when we can safely meet again, we will present a fantastic and secure celebration.

Stay healthy, Stay safe.

Warmest regards,

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