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Dear All,

**ITA-AITES WORLD TUNNEL CONGRESS 2020 (WTC2020) IN MALAYSIA
11 – 17 SEPTEMBER 2020 DIGITAL WTC2020 KUALA LUMPUR**

ITA and IEM hereby jointly announce that WTC2020 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia scheduled from 11th to 17th September 2020 will be moved to a fully digital platform due to the impacts of COVID-19, including border restrictions and health risks associated with international travel and the assembly of large meetings.

IEM commits to refund 70% of monies already paid to WTC2020 by sponsors, exhibitors and registered participants and 100% refund for the charges paid by registered participants for side events such as Gala dinner, site visits etc. This refund includes about 8.5% from ITA by waiving all of its entitlements as agreed by ITA.

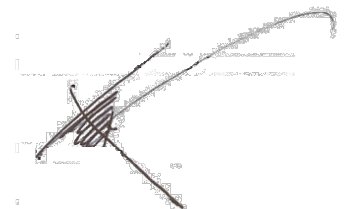
The digital WTC2020 is currently in preparation at no extra cost for those already registered and all sponsors, exhibitors and registrants would be notified of the format for the digital event soon by the Organizing Committee of WTC2020. A digital book of proceedings will also be made available to all registrants. The dates for the digital WTC2020 remain unchanged from 11th to 17th September 2020.

We know that this disruption of events saddens you as much as us. We look forward to the tunnelling community safely meeting again to discuss the issues that mobilize our industry and inspire our world.

With our best regards,



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