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Re: cancellation of the 2020 Regional Seminar in São Paulo

To the hosts, sponsors, registered participants and further stakeholders of the 2020 Regional Seminar in São Paulo,

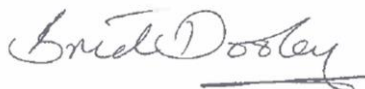
We all have noticed that the worldwide health crisis caused by the corona virus covid-19 requires more and more governments to intervene strongly. Measures taken include cancelling events, encouraging people to stay at home and cutting out non-essential travel.

Although the situation at the Seminar's envisioned location São Paulo currently seems relatively manageable, an important part of the program consists of contributions from speakers from countries where travel is currently discouraged or even impossible. This situation is likely to deteriorate in the coming days.

In addition, we consider it important that every event organizer takes responsibility for the health of everyone involved, crew, participants and speakers. **In these serious circumstances, the organizers of the Regional Seminar have decided to postpone the event**, a decision that FIAT/IFTA fully endorses. At this moment there is no decision about a new date for the Seminar yet. All parties involved will decide on this in consultation and communicate it.

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this decision, and would like to ask for your comprehension in the circumstances. We would like to thank the organizers, sponsors and speakers for all their efforts to date and express our belief that this event will be a great success on its new date.

Yours sincerely,



Bríd Dooley
FIAT/IFTA President