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CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19

Cancellation of EAST competitions for March and April 2020, including: the Montreal Regional Science and Technology Fair, the RoboJunior competition, the Réseau-Techscience Provincial Science Fair, as well as participation in the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF).

Montreal, March 15, 2020 – Given the recommendations and obligations set out by the Government of Canada, as well as directives established by Quebec Premier François Legault in connection with the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the Educational Alliance for Science and Technology (EAST) as well as Réseau Technoscience (the provincial organization), have decided to cancel their competitions scheduled until June 30, 2020.

As a result, after consultation with our partners, the following events are cancelled :

- The **Montreal Regional Science & Technology Fair (MRSTF)** which was to be held at **Concordia University** from March 29 – March 31, 2020.
- The **RoboJunior Competition** which was to be held on April 17th, 2020 at **Rosemount High School**.
- The **Super Expo-sciences Hydro-Québec**, the 2020 Quebec final, which was to take place from April 23 to 26 at the Université de Montréal.
- EAST participation in the **International Science and Technology Fair (ISEF)**, to be held in **Anaheim California** from May 10 – May 15, 2020.

Individuals who had planned to take part in any of these events can contact us for further information regarding the consequences of cancellation.

"EAST's priority is the health and safety of participants, volunteers, visitors and staff. It goes without saying that we will comply without delay with the obligation to cancel all gatherings of more than 250 people. Our events remain non-essential gatherings in confined spaces. We prefer to avoid any unnecessary risks." says Agostino Porchetta, President of EAST.

EAST would like to thank all those who worked tirelessly preparing for these events, including our coordinators, host schools and our partners. We share in their disappointment, but we will start planning for 2021 in the coming days.

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