

SPECIAL NOTICE – COVID-19 Pandemic (Coronavirus)

Please know that our thoughts are with those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic (Coronavirus). The health and safety of our members and participants are our first priority. We are closely monitoring any specific travel advisories through official channels, which include the World Health Organization (WHO) and the U.S. State Department.

The World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 (Coronavirus) to be a pandemic, many governments have enacted travel bans and numerous state and local governments are prohibiting large or even moderately-sized public gatherings. Such bans on travel and public gatherings are likely to increase in number and scope in the coming weeks.

Before traveling to the conference, we recommend that you stay informed of any information your local health agencies may make available and take reasonable precautions to protect yourself. IEEE continues to closely monitor this dynamic situation and will provide updates with any developments.

The following proactive steps are being taken to maintain a safe and healthy environment at 2020 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS):

- We are committed to following regional jurisdiction guidelines and rules in maintaining a safe environment for our attendees. The World Health Organization's (WHO) guidelines are located [here](#).
- We are working closely with the Caesars Forum in Las Vegas, NV and surrounding venues hosting official 2020 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) programming to ensure there are sufficient medical processes in place and sanitation products readily available.
- We are supporting individuals who may be unable to travel to Las Vegas, NV from affected regions.

- We will continue to provide timely WHO and other relevant updates to registered attendees throughout the conference as needed.