



# 2020 VISION

FOR A CLEAN AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

52nd Annual ASCC conference

16th - 18th  
November

Crown Conference Centre  
Melbourne, Australia

After much consideration of members and in consultation with the Crown Melbourne and our other external partners, the ASCC Council has decided that the ASCC 2020 Annual Conference in Melbourne will be cancelled. This decision has not been taken lightly and will have a major financial impact on the ASCC, however, with the safety of our members, partners guests and friends being our top priority we have no other option but to cancel this year's event.

Firstly, we would like to thank the majority of our members who have given us their patience and understanding whilst we work through this difficult situation, we will need to ask for your continued patience and support as we work through the cancellation process.

As mentioned previously the cancellation of this event can potentially have a major impact on the ASCC financially and in a pandemic situation there is little protection from the ACCC and insurance in this scenario. Members are guided by the protection (or lack of) as outlined by the ACCC related to COVID-19, however, the ASCC Council have decided that where possible we will accept the financial burden where the ASCC has taken payment for service primarily Sponsorship, Exhibition and attendance. The ASCC does this in good faith and hope our members extend their goodwill to support actively and cooperate with us moving forward to 2021. Unfortunately, the ASCC is not responsible for any external costs such as flights and marketing material you may have incurred.

## **Sponsors and Exhibitors**

We will be in contact with our Sponsors and Exhibitors individually to discuss your options, it is the ASCC's hope that all sponsors and exhibitors will rollover to the 2021 conference to minimise the effort required under these difficult conditions. Booth selection for 2021 will be prioritised to companies where the ASCC has already received payment, before going on general sale. More details will be sent to these companies in due course.

## **Delegates and Speakers**

All attendees who have currently registered and paid in full, your registration will be automatically transferred to the 2021 conference, as this will allow attendees to benefit from receiving 2021 registrations at 2020 prices. Ozacom+ will be in contact with all currently registered delegates being transferred to 2021 shortly to ensure the ease of booking for the Gold Coast.

If the transfer of registration is not suitable for you please contact Ozacom+ in writing (only) at [ozacom@ozacom.com.au](mailto:ozacom@ozacom.com.au) before 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2020 in order to cancel without penalty.

Any applicable refund will be returned via the same payment method as the original receipt of funds.

All Speaker registrations will be cancelled, and speakers should reapply for the 2021 Conference via the [call for papers process](#).

The ASCC operates with honesty and integrity and we expect our members to conduct themselves in the same manner. Any refunds will be made to the same account via the payment method as the fund were received with no exceptions. If delegates have been reimbursed for payments, it is expected any refunds be returned to the company.

Finally we would like to thank the ASCC 2020 organising committee who have spent the last 18 months organising the event, your hard work and dedication has not gone unnoticed and we hope to have you all back to organise another event once the world is in a better situation.

#### **Summary of Actions**

- **2020 Registered Delegates:** Contact Ozacom+ in writing for a refund if you **DO NOT** wish to have your registration transferred to the 2021 Conference (Gold Coast 11-13th May) before 31st Aug 2020
- **2020 Speakers** – your registration will be cancelled, please resubmit papers for 2021
- **2020 Sponsors & Exhibitors** – we will contact your directly.

We are happy to take questions at the AGM or send them to Kate at [ascc@ascc.com.au](mailto:ascc@ascc.com.au)

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**ASCC President**

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**2020 Conference Chairperson**