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## IWCD 2023 Symposium Cancellation Announcement

**Vancouver, BC, Canada - September 7, 2023** - We regretfully announce the cancellation of the in-person International Women in Cyber Day Symposium and Awards Gala scheduled for Friday, September 29, 2023, at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC. Due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control, we cannot proceed as planned.

However, we are delighted to share that we recently hosted a highly successful virtual event on September 1, the official International Women in Cyber Day. This online gathering featured inspiring success stories of women in cybersecurity, an engaging and interactive Capture the Flag competition, a new partnership announcement, changes to our WCS2 PRO membership, updates on past IWCD scholarship winners, exciting prize giveaways, and so much more!

As pioneers in women in cybersecurity advocacy in Canada, our unwavering commitment to our mission and goals persists. We are steadfast in our endeavour to secure recognition of International Women in Cyber Day by both the Federal Government of Canada and the United Nations. Our dedication to providing valuable opportunities for our community remains resolute, and we eagerly anticipate future events.

We invite you to stay connected for updates on upcoming opportunities. Rest assured, we are fully committed to hosting an in-person event next year, recognizing and valuing your continued support and understanding of its significance and the diverse benefits it brings to the cybersecurity industry.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. For inquiries or concerns, please get in touch with us at <u>info@womenincyberday.com</u> or visit our website at <u>https://womenincyberday.com</u> for more information.

Please stay connected for updates and unite with us in commemorating accomplishments in the cybersecurity realm.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Sincerely,

Lisa Kearney Founding Executive Director Women CyberSecurity Society and International Women in Cyber Day cc: IWCD Organizing and Planning Committee