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IICRC and CIRI Team Up to Help Build Cleaning and Restoration Science

LAS VEGAS – (Oct. 21, 2015) –The [Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification](#) (IICRC) and the [Cleaning Industry Research Institute](#) (CIRI) have formed a public trust to develop and disseminate cleaning and restoration science. The collaboration of the leading technical, certification and standards-writing organizations serving the cleaning and restoration industries will begin with a joint technical conference and symposium taking place April 10 – 11, 2016 in Atlanta.

“The first conference I attended as an IICRC Board member was a CIRI Science Symposium,” said IICRC Chairman Tony Wheelwright. “Since then I have worked with CIRI leadership to promote the collaboration between our organizations for the good of the general public. The coupling of our new technical conference which was developed as a companion to our peer-review technical journal, *The Journal of Cleaning, Restoration & Inspection*, with the CIRI symposium is the realization of that dream.”

“This collaboration joins together two major segments of the cleaning industry: facilities cleaning and disaster restoration-remediation,” said CIRI Chairman Jim Harris. “Each organization has been the leading voice for technical proficiency backed by science in its market. Working together, we will bring even greater synergy and more progress.”

The conference and symposium will be held April 10 – 11, 2016 at the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center in Atlanta. For agenda and registration information, contact Carole Onweller at Carole@iicrc.org or (740) 616-9633. Those interested in presenting at the conference should contact Steven Spivak at ss60@umd.edu (CIRI) or John Downey at jdowney@iicrc.org (IICRC).

About IICRC

The IICRC is a global, ANSI-accredited Standards Developing Organization (SDO) that credentials individuals in 20+ categories within the inspection, cleaning and restoration industries. Representing more than 54,000 certified technicians and 6,000 Certified Firms in 22 countries, the IICRC, in partnership with regional and international trade associations, represents the entire industry. The IICRC does not own schools, employ instructors, produce training materials or promote specific product brands, cleaning methods or systems. For more information, visit www.iicrc.org.

About CIRI

The Cleaning Industry Research Institute International is a 501.c.3 not-for-profit scientific, educational, and research organization. It has been involved in the development of the ISSA Clean Standard: K-1 2 since the very beginning and worked with the leading researchers in the world to develop the CIRI Training and Certification program. CIRI instructors and faculty members are experts with decades of practical experience, solid credentials, and a strong track record of teaching success. Individuals certified through this program will be recognized as having met the criteria of an unbiased organization dedicated to improving health in educational facilities.

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