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### Delegates to the 2023 International Photobooth Convention Unanimously Affirm Official Space-less Spelling of "Photobooth"

London, England – July 17, 2023 – The world's leading authorities in the art and technology of photobooths convened in London this past weekend for the International Photobooth Convention, where a momentous decision was reached. With attendees hailing from across the globe, the delegates voted unanimously to officially recognize and affirm the spelling of "photobooth" as a single, cohesive word, without a space.

This historic gathering, hosted by Autofoto at prestigious venues throughout London, brought together photobooth operators, experts, enthusiasts to discuss a wide range of topics, from the evolution of photobooth technology to its cultural significance. The Convention aimed to foster a deeper understanding of the photobooth industry's past, present, and future.

One of the most remarkable outcomes of this year's event was the unanimous vote on the official spelling of "photobooth." At times, well-meaning (though ill-informed) publications and people write it as "photo booth" with a space between the words, but during the intense and passionate debates that took place over the course of the event, delegates in the legislative session made a compelling case for the single-word "photobooth." In fact, there was no dissent.

"After thorough discussion and examination of the language trends surrounding photobooths, it was clear that the industry's terminology needed to reflect the contemporary use of the word," said Convention organizers. "The absence of a space in 'photobooth' better represents the integrated and seamless experience that photobooths offer."

Speaking on the condition of anonymity, one delegate opined, "Take a hot dog booth, or a ticket booth, or a kissing booth. In each case, they are just different kinds of booths - and linguistically, "booth" is the noun. The other words are just descriptors indicating the kind of booth being described. A photobooth, on the other hand, isn't just a booth having to do with photos - it is a unified machine, a cohesive piece of technology that has garnered cultural significance as a unique and instantly recognizable icon. As such, a single unified word is the only just treatment of such an institution. The whole thing is a noun. Also, I just paid for a bunch of top signs that don't have a space, so it would be really great if we could all get behind this."

The decision is expected to have little to no impact on the photobooth industry, and dollars to donuts people will continue to misspell the word, insisting on that pesky, ill-placed space. Many participants in the convention felt that this re-affirmed spelling would better align with the technology and culture that have evolved over the years, emphasizing the instantaneous and immersive nature of photobooth experiences.

This milestone not only reflects the hard-hitting work that happens at International Photobooth Conventions but also highlights the global nature of the photobooth community and its commitment to unity. The consensus achieved at this year's International Photobooth Convention is a testament to the dedication and passion of those who continue to push the boundaries of photobooth technology and culture.

In related news, preliminary discussions took place regarding the divisive “photo strip” (no space) vs. “photo strip” (space) hot button issue, but the assembled delegates voted to table the issue until the next convention’s legislative session in favor of going out for a pint.

For more information about the International Photobooth Conventions and the official spelling of "photobooth," please visit [www.photobooth.net](http://www.photobooth.net)

About the International Photobooth Convention:

The International Photobooth Convention is the premier global event dedicated to the celebration of photobooth technology and culture. Gathering experts and enthusiasts from around the world, the convention promotes collaboration, innovation, and the sharing of knowledge in the field. The decision to affirm the official spelling of "photobooth" reflects the convention's commitment to clarity in the evolving industry landscape.