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**“Historically, pandemics have forced humans to break with the past and imagine their world anew. This one is no different. It is a portal, a gateway between one world and the next.”**

**Arundhati Roy**  
Author

**A good time to reflect on where we've been and where we are going...**



# Today's Panel

**David Ives**, Deputy Director  
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**Nancy Gilbert**, Economic Development Integrator  
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**Bonnie Prigge**, Executive Director  
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**Michelle Jordan**, Executive Director  
Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments, Huntsville, AL

**Brett Schwartz**, Associate Director  
NADO Research Foundation, San Diego, CA (moderator)