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The Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling (ICM) is run parallel to the Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) with the same format. In 2020, students formed over 7200 teams to address one of three open-ended problems (D-Operations Research/Network Science, E-Environmental Science, F-Policy). The interdisciplinarity of this contest provides a mechanism to bring students and colleagues from many other disciplines together as authentic collaborative groups to solve real world problems. We discuss all aspects of the contest, past problems, judging, and results to provide (Received September 14, 2020)