

**LETTER OF INTENT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE CHINA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDIZATION**  
**AND**  
**THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE**  
**IN THE FIELD OF STANDARDIZATION INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

The China National Institute of Standardization (CNIS) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI):

Recognizing the desirability of the global use of international standards, and the important role of standardization for achieving high levels of health, safety, environmental and consumer protection;

Pledging to facilitate cooperation between CNIS and ANSI to that end;

Hereby endorse the following articles of this Letter of Intent (LOI) concerning matters covering standardization and the mutual exchange of information and publications between the respective organizations in the framework of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) and ANSI.

**Article 1**

CNIS and ANSI agree to:

- (1) exchange information and cooperate in activities in the field of standardization where feasible, work to develop mutually supportive work.
- (2) facilitate dialogue and research among CNIS and U.S. experts in various areas of standardization as determined by special arrangements between both parties, including but limited to the standards development related to mutually concerned industries;
- (3) encourage both parties to identify their counterpart groups for the purpose of establishing bilateral relationships, including the development and translation of materials and resources to educate public and private sector stakeholders in the U.S. and China; promote cooperation as a building block to international standardization and free trade;
- (4) organize senior- and working-level meetings, including but not limited to the exchange of visits and communication between senior management of CNIS and ANSI, private sector industry leaders, and experts in specific technical areas;
- (5) explore organizing and sponsoring seminars, conferences, training, research exchanges, webinars, workshops, technical symposia on standardization subjects of mutual interest; and
- (6) develop action plans of cooperative projects and conduct regular review of the progress of such action plans; the parties may develop additional means of cooperation.

**Article 2**

CNIS and ANSI agree to exchange, using all appropriate media:

- (1) general information, publications, and training materials on standardization developed and published by CNIS and ANSI;
- (2) periodical publications and other relevant information published by CNIS and ANSI. Further to this item, CNIS is given ANSI's permission to translate and reprint free of charge any articles in any edition of the ANSI Reporter published in ANSI online news at [www.ansi.org/news](http://www.ansi.org/news).

### Article 3

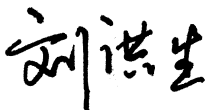
Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this LOI will be settled through consultations between CNIS and ANSI or such other means as they may mutually decide.

### Article 4

- (1) This LOI can be amended by the written agreement of both parties.
- (2) This LOI shall come into effect on the date on which it is signed by the Parties. Either Party may terminate this LOI by providing the other party with a written notice at least six months in advance.
- (3) Notice to terminate or amend the LOI shall not retroactively change the terms of any existing project or program being undertaken by the parties for the specific term of the project or program without consent of both parties.

This LOI was written in Chinese and English, signed through email correspondence, and becomes effective as of 01/06/2021. All texts are equally authentic.

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