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## ANSI Legal Issues Forum 2011: Patented Technology in Standards


**Thursday, October 13, 2011**

2:00 – 5:00 pm

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Knight Conference Center

555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Washington DC, 20001

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### Overview

ANSI's annual Legal Issues Forum examined legal and policy issues which may arise when patented technologies are included in voluntary consensus standards.

The Institute presented two panels of recognized leaders who examined the pros and cons of the RAND (reasonable and non-discriminatory) licensing commitment as well possible alternatives to RAND, including negotiating licensing terms prior to choosing the standard.

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Panel 1: The Pros and Cons of RAND: Does RAND Continue to Be the Preferred Approach to Essential Technology?

Panel 2: Is Ex-Ante Disclosure and/or Negotiation of Licensing Terms a Safe Alternative to RAND?

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### Participants

ANSI members and interested stakeholders including those from government, industry, business, consumer groups, and academia shared their perspectives, insights, and expertise on patented technology in standards.

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