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# **HEADLINES**

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI...

# ANSI's Standards and the Global Supply Chain Event on the Hill Opens Opportunities for Policy Dialogue

Global supply chain policy issues took center stage at the ANSI event held on March 12 on Capitol Hill and opened opportunities for policy discussions and collaboration.

#### **ANSI Releases Schedule of Events for World Standards Week 2015**

Held this year on September 28–October 2 in Washington, DC, WSW is an annual event where members of the standards and conformity assessment community come together in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration.

# Opportunities Available for Upcoming Standards Alliance Events in Southern Africa, Vietnam, Colombia, and Guatemala

The Standards Alliance, a public-private partnership between ANSI and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), will be hosting a number of conferences and workshops in Southern Africa, Vietnam, Colombia, and Guatemala in the coming months.

# Chinese Premier Li Addresses Reform of China's Standardization System

Recent comments from Chinese Premier Li Keqiang indicate support at the highest levels of the Chinese government for deepening the reform of China's standardization system, a process that has been underway for several years.

# **ANSI Opens Nominations for 2015 Leadership and Service Awards**

The awards, which are presented in conjunction with WSW 2015, honor individuals who have made significant contributions to voluntary consensus standardization and conformity assessment programs and have consistently demonstrated a commitment to their industry, their nation, and the enhancement of the global standards system. Nominations are due by June 12.

### **ANSI Announces 2015 Forum and Committee Leadership**

ANSI has announced leadership of its member forums, policy committees, and program oversight committees for 2015.

# **U.S.** Celebration of World Standards Day 2015 Will Highlight How Standards Bridge and Strengthen Global Communication

Acknowledging the critical role that standards play, the 2015 U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day, to be held October 1, 2015, will have the theme "Standards – The World's Common Language."

### **Did You Know?**

*Did You Know?* offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation of members and partners, highlighting recent accomplishments and new resources related to standardization. In this issue: SES, NEMA, OPEI, and UTMB.

# **People on the Move**

People on the Move spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards and conformance community.

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# **PUBLICATIONS**

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## Standards Action - March 27, 2015

ANSI's key public review vehicle enables effective participation in the standards development process.

#### <u>United States Standards Strategy (USSS) – Third Edition</u>

The United States Standards Strategy provides a framework that can be used by all interested parties to further advance trade issues, and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today's globally competitive economy.

#### United States Conformity Assessment Principles (USCAP) - Third Edition

The United States Conformity Assessment Principles document articulates the principles for U.S. conformity assessment activities that the consumer, buyers, sellers, regulators and other interested parties should be aware of to have confidence in the processes of providing conformity assessment, while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

#### 2013-2014 Annual Report

This year's annual report, Strategies for a Strong Nation and a Safer, Healthier World, provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents

#### What Is ANSI?

This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute's programs and activities, with links to more detailed information.

Check out our other publications and documents of interest.

### CALENDAR

Visit the **Events Section** of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

# **ANSI Company Member Forum Meeting**

April 7 – 8, 2015 Corning, NY

#### **ANSI Organizational Member Forum Meeting (OMF)**

May 6, 2015 Arlington, VA

#### **World Standards Week 2015**

September 28 – October 2, 2015 Washington, DC

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