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ANSI Congressional Standards Update

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HEADLINES

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

America Makes and ANSI Launch Additive Manufacturing Standardization Collaborative

The collaborative will focus on coordinating and accelerating the development of industry-wide additive manufacturing standards and specifications consistent with stakeholder needs and thereby facilitating the growth of the additive manufacturing industry. Participation is open to all.

Register for ANSI's April Event: Sino-U.S. Cooperation and the Internationalization of Standardization

The April 25 conference at the FHI 360 Conference Center in Washington, D.C., will include a high-level delegation from the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) with SAC presentations on the reform of China's standardization system and the importance of standards for domestic and international markets. The event is free, with advance registration required.

Register by March 21: U.S.-German Standards Panel on Innovation in the Medical Device Sector

ANSI and the German Institute for Standardization (DIN) will co-host a standards panel event entitled "Innovation in the Medical Device Sector" on April 12, 2016, in Washington, D.C. It is intended to unite public- and private-sector representatives from the U.S. and Germany to provide viewpoints on recent developments in electronic medical records and the implications for standardization and public policy.

ANSI Opens Nominations for 2016 Leadership and Service Awards

The awards are presented in conjunction with World Standards Week (WSW) 2016, to 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.

April 7 ANSI Cities Network Webinar Covers ISO TC 268 Sustainable Development in Communities

The monthly webinar of the ANSI Network on Smart and Sustainable Cities (ANSSC) will feature a report on ISO Technical Committee (TC) 268, *Sustainable development in communities*. Meghan Housewright, associate general counsel for government affairs at ANSI member the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), will be the featured speaker.

Last Chance to Register! Free ANSI Event: Open Source, Open Standards, Open Minds

On April 15, hear from 15 distinguished speakers about open source and its impact on the standards community. To join them, see the agenda and registration details at ansi.org/opensource2016.

New Mexico Requires Food Handlers to Earn ANSI-Accredited Training Certificate

A recent New Mexico bill issued by the Environmental Improvement Board requires food handlers to have certificates from an ANSI-accredited issuer under the ANSI Certificate Accreditation Program.

ANSI Releases Schedule of Events for World Standards Week 2016

World Standards Week (WSW) will be held October 24-28 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. Registration is now open and sponsorship opportunities are available.

U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day 2016 to Highlight How Standards Build Trust

The October 27 community-wide celebration will highlight how standards and conformity assessment ensure reliability and trust—essential to processes, businesses, and services.

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: AHAM, AIM, ASSE, ASTM International, CPWR, ICC, and SES-The Society for Standards Professionals.

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. In this issue: CSA Group and ATIS.

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PUBLICATIONS

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Standards Action – April 1, 2016

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

United States Standards Strategy (USSS)

The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework to further advance trade and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today's globally competitive economy.

United States Conformity Assessment Principles (USCAP)

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.

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.

ANSI 2014-2015 Annual Report

This year's annual report, *A Window on the Standardization Initiatives Making the World a Safer, Better Place*, informs stakeholders of ANSI's key initiatives and accomplishments over the past year. It also documents financial activities of the Institute during 2014.

Check out our other [publications](#) and [documents of interest](#).

CALENDAR

Visit the [Events Section](#) of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

Open Source, Open Standards, Open Minds

April 15, 2016, Washington, DC

Sino-U.S. Cooperation and the Internationalization of Standardization: Policy Updates and Opportunities

April 25, 2016, Washington, DC

World Standards Week (WSW) 2016

October 24-28, 2016, Washington, DC

U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day (WSD) 2016

October 27, 2016, Washington DC

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