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HEADLINES

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI…

Register Now: ANSI International Policy Webinar on Brexit and Its Potential Impact on International and Regional Standardization
In light of the recent Brexit referendum in which Britain voted to withdraw from the European Union, ANSI will host an international policy webinar on Friday, September 23, from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. ET, and will highlight Brexit’s impact on international and regional standardization. Free for ANSI members.

September 14 ANSI Cities Network Webinar Features NYU InterCEP and Its Metropolitan Resilience Network Situational Awareness Platform
The monthly webinar of the ANSI Network on Smart and Sustainable Cities (ANSSC) will feature a report on the International Center for Enterprise Preparedness (InterCEP) at New York University and its Metropolitan Resilience Network situational awareness and collaboration platform. Speaker: William G. Raisch, founding director and executive director of InterCEP.

Department of Education Selects ANSI to Join EQUIP: Educational Quality through Innovative Partnerships
As a globally recognized quality assurance entity, ANSI was selected to join the EQUIP higher education initiative, which is tied to the Obama administration’s large-scale effort to provide low-income students with access to new models of education and training.

International Workshop Agreement on Sustainable Non-Sewered Systems Guides Standards Development for “Next-Generation Toilets”
A new International Workshop Agreement (IWA) published by ISO, and supported by ANSI, will serve as the basis for the development of a new international standard for sustainable non-sewered sanitation systems. The IWA signifies progress to enhance efforts in reducing environmental hazards associated with poor toilet sanitation, while meeting individuals’ health and safety needs worldwide.

ANSI Announces Second Workshop under the U.S.-Africa Clean Energy Standards Program
On September 29, 2016, ANSI will hold the Solar Mini-Grid Workshop, covering regulatory framework and quality assurance, in Nairobi, Kenya. The workshop is the second in an ongoing series organized by ANSI under the U.S.-Africa Clean Energy Standards Program (CESP), which is sponsored by the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) and in partnership with Power Africa.

ANSI Announces Recipients of the 2016 Leadership and Service Awards
ANSI congratulates the 18 distinguished recipients who will receive awards during an October 26 ceremony held in conjunction with World Standards Week 2016 in Washington DC.

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: the Acoustical Society of America (ASA) and the IAPMO Group.

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: AIIM, the Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI), CSA Group, NEMA, the Parenteral Drug Association (PDA), and Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

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**Standards Action – September 2, 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.

Check out our other publications and documents of interest.

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

**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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