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[ANSI Releases Agenda for Joint Member Forum Meeting during World Standards Week 2017](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=5aeeaa5e-3318-40eb-a15f-e9a9f216ae10&source=csu92817)

ANSI has released a preliminary agenda for its Joint Member Forum (JMF) October 19, 2017, in Washington, DC, as part of World Standards Week. With the theme Future Perfect, the JMF will explore emerging areas of technology and expert panelists will address how standards and conformance will serve a substantial role in the revitalization of business and industry in years to come.

[ANSI Announces Services Standardization Conferences in Partnership with Singapore](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=c56a16fc-93ba-4173-b6d9-e59182f72f7d&source=csu92817)

In partnership with the national standards and accreditation body of Singapore (SPRING), ANSI will host two services standardization conferences, on October 17-18, 2017, in Washington, DC, as part of World Standards Week (WSW), and on November 2-3, 2017, in Singapore. Both conferences will explore key services standardization areas of common interest to the two nations and identify potential opportunities for joint national standards or international standards.

[Standards Alliance and Commerce Department Organize Vietnamese Delegation Visit to the U.S.](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=31739be2-a56a-462d-929e-671006102e8f&source=csu92817)

On September 11-15, 2017, ANSI, through its public-private partnership with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) called the Standards Alliance, together with the U.S. Department of Commerce (DoC) and the American Automotive Policy Council (AAPC), organized a delegation visit focused on the U.S. auto industry in Washington, DC, Columbus, OH, and Detroit, MI.

[Report of May 19 ANSI Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Meeting Released](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=df5633e3-2448-48ab-87c2-62c6ab53dcec&source=csu92817)

ANSI has released a summary report of its May 19, 2017, meeting on coordination of standardization activities for unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), also known as drones. The meeting confirmed broad-based support for ANSI to establish the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Standardization Collaborative (UASSC), which will hold its inaugural meeting on September 28, 2017, in Washington, DC.

[America Makes and ANSI Hold Phase 2 Kick-off Meeting for Additive Manufacturing Standardization Collaborative](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=dd2f6955-b16a-4719-be24-01b1e7464ff6&source=csu92817)

On September 7, America Makesand ANSI held a kick-off meeting in Philadelphia to launch phase 2 of the America Makes & ANSI Additive Manufacturing Standardization Collaborative (AMSC). As the group is working to expand its reach, the agenda included breakout discussions with stakeholders from the following industry-sectors: aerospace/defense, medical, ground vehicle/heavy equipment, energy, and industrial & commercial machinery.

[ANSI Launches Pilot Program for Certification Bodies Seeking Accreditation to BRC Global Standard for Consumer Products Issue 4](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=29766ded-0a0d-4dcf-928b-a149cc22318f&source=csu92817)

ANSI has launched a Pilot Accreditation Program for certification bodies seeking accreditation to BRC Global Standard for Consumer Products Issue 4. ANSI is accepting applications for the program until Friday, October 20, 2017.

[People on the Move](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=29c8d2a2-0814-4dd9-bc19-5bb5169df433&source=csu92817)

*People on the Move* highlights the career advancements of high-level trailblazers working professionally in diverse areas of standardization, contributing every day to the strength and success of the U.S. standards and conformance community. In this issue: Disaster Recovery Institute International (DRI) and the Scaffold & Access Industry Association (SIA).

[Did You Know?](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=62788e29-ce46-47c8-bf06-bfc7db54ba9a&source=csu92817)

*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: the Building Performance Institute (BPI), Power Tool Institute (PTI), TUV Rheinland, and the Water Quality Association (WQA).

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[**United States Conformity Assessment Principles (USCAP)**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source=csu92817)
The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* articulates how U.S. conformity assessment activities foster confidence while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[**2015 – 2016 Annual Report**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2015_16_Annual_Report.pdf)The 2016 annual report, *Collaborative Standardization Solutions for a Strong Nation and a Safer World,* provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents in support of ANSI’s mission.

[**What Is ANSI?**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=csu92817)This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute’s ongoing programs and activities.

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[**World Standards Week 2017**](https://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw17/wsw?menuid=8)

October 16-20

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