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What’s New?

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**ANSI Board Member Amy Marasco Testifies before European Parliament on U.S. Standardization System**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3075&source=whatsnew112811)

ANSI Board Member Amy Marasco testified before the European Parliament on Wednesday at a public hearing organized by the Parliament's Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection. Testifying on behalf of the Institute, Ms. Marasco spoke about the U.S. approach to standardization.
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[**ANSI-Hosted Webinar Highlights Interagency Efforts on Sustainable Purchasing**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3074&source=whatsnew112811)

Some 200 participants from across the standards and business communities tuned in for an ANSI-hosted webinar on environmentally preferable purchasing.

[more...](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3074&source=whatsnew112811)[**A Decade after 9/11, ANSI Homeland Security Standards Panel Examines Past Achievements and Charts Path Forward**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3078&source=whatsnew112811)

On November 9, the ANSI Homeland Security Standards Panel gathered for its tenth plenary meeting to examine progress made over the past decade and discuss a path forward.
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[**Comments Sought on Proposals Related to Sustainable Development in Communities and Smart Urban Infrastructure**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3077&source=whatsnew112811)

ANSI invites all interested stakeholders to submit comments on two related proposals recently submitted to ISO. Comments are requested **by** **January 13, 2012**.

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[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3076&source=whatsnew112811)

*Did You Know*? offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation, highlighting the people and initiatives making waves in standardization. In this issue: **IEEE-USA** Announces Student Video Competition; **SES** Webinar on December 8th to Explore the International Perspective on Standards; **USGBC** Launches App Lab; **Toy Industry Association** Announces TOTY 2012 Nominees and Hall of Fame Inductees.

SOCIAL MEDIA

ANSI actively participates in a number of social media websites, making pertinent information about events and initiatives readily accessible and providing a place of discussion for the U.S. standardization community.

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, November 22 – November 28, 2011](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2011/11%2028%2011.pdf?&source=whatsnew112811)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, June 7 – October 31, 2011](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2011/NCRPNotices%2010-31-11.pdf?&source=whatsnew112811)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action – November 25, 2011***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2011%20PDFs/SAV4247.pdf?&source=whatsnew112811)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?&source=whatsnew112811)
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.[***2010-2011 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2010_11_AnnualReport.pdf?&source=whatsnew112811)
This year's annual report, *Standardization – Paving the Road to Innovation*, describes how ANSI and its Federation of members have continued to use the power of collaboration to develop solutions for economic growth, innovation, and global priorities, fortifying the U.S. marketplace position in the global economy through standards-based solutions to national and global priorities.

Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew112811)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/ther_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew112811).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew112811) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2011/Nuclear1111.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew112811)

November 29, 2011

Gaithersburg, MD

[**ANSI-NIST International Workshop on Challenges to Increased Use of Nanotechnology Standards**](http://gsi.nist.gov/global/index.cfm/L1-8/L2-33/A-598%26source%3Dwhatsnew112811)

December 13-14, 2011

Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew112811)

From radiation detection to quality drinking water, a wide variety of topics are addressed by these case studies, where standardization – either the concept or actual practice – helped in the resolution of real-world problems. Instructors can use these case studies as a vehicle to stimulate class discussion of standardization in their discipline, along with the economic and/or operational consequences of addressing or not addressing the issues or needs.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a service to our members and constituents in the U.S. standards and conformity assessment community, ANSI provides an [online network](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew112811) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

Openings are frequently available in ANSI’s New York and Washington, DC, offices. For more information or to submit your qualifications, visit the [Career Opportunities Section](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew112811) of ANSI Online.

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[**BS EN ISO 14971 / BS EN 980 - Symbols and Risk Management of Medical Devices Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=BS+EN+ISO+14971+%2f+BS+EN+980+-+Symbols+and+Risk+Management+of+Medical+Devices+Package&source=whatsnew112811)
This package provides specifications for identifying the risk associated with the use of medical devices, while also specifying the labeling of symbols supplied by the manufacturer of medical devices. This package is the perfect manufacturers' guide to identifying the risk of medical devices to the consumer and relaying those risks using uniform symbols.

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