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What’s New?

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**ANSI Board Welcomes Paul Verkuil, Chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3085&source=whatsnew120511)

The year-end meeting of the ANSI Board of Directors featured special guest speaker Paul Verkuil, chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States.
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[**Reflecting China’s Commitment to Increased Cooperation, ANSI and Shanghai Association for Standardization Co-host Seminar on Economic Globalization and Standardization**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3086&source=whatsnew120511)

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of China’s accession to the WTO, ANSI and the Shanghai Association of Standardization hosted an international seminar in Shanghai focused on the influence of the WTO Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement on global trade, and the role of international standardization in driving innovation and economic development.
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[**ANSI’s Gary Kushnier Participates in U.S.-EU High Level Regulatory Cooperation Forum**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3083&source=whatsnew120511)

Gary Kushnier, ANSI vice president of international policy, addressed the public session of the U.S.-EU High Level Regulatory Cooperation Forum, speaking about recent efforts to strengthen U.S.-EU cooperation on standards.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3083&source=whatsnew120511)

[**Comments Sought on Proposed New Field of ISO Activity on Railway Applications**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3079&source=whatsnew120511)

DIN, the German national standards body, has submitted a proposal ISO for a new field of technical activity on railway applications. As the U.S. member body to ISO, ANSI invites comments on the proposal **by Friday, January 13, 2012**.
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[**ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board Acquires Forensic Quality Services, Inc.**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3081&source=whatsnew120511)

The ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board has acquired Forensic Quality Services, Inc., expanding the company’s range of conformity assessment services to include accreditation of forensic testing agencies.

[more...](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3081&source=whatsnew120511)[**ANSI Welcomes New Members**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3082&source=whatsnew120511)

ANSI proudly welcomed sixteen new members in November 2011.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3082&source=whatsnew120511)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Hand Protection to Green Chemicals**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3080&source=whatsnew120511)

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes a series of snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives currently underway. In this issue: standards **from NSF International** and **ISEA** for green chemicals and hand protection.

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[**People on the Move**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3084&source=whatsnew120511)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue: **Charles H. Romine**.

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.

Check us out on …

                   

PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, November 29 – December 5, 2011](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2011/12%2005%2011.pdf?&source=whatsnew120511)

[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=whatsnew120511)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action – December 2, 2011***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2011%20PDFs/SAV4248.pdf?&source=whatsnew120511)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=whatsnew120511)
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=whatsnew120511)
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=whatsnew120511)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/ther_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew120511).

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-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%3Dwhatsnew120511)

December 13-14, 2011

Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew120511), the premier online source for standards and conformity assessment education, for easy-to-use educational tools that address the full range of standards activities. All of the courses and resources are free and provided by ANSI as a public service.

[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew120511)

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=whatsnew120511) 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=whatsnew120511) of ANSI Online.

STORE

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**BS EN ISO 14971 / IEC 60601-1-2 - Risk Management of Medical Electrical Equipment Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=BS+EN+ISO+14971+%2f+IEC+60601-1-2+-+Risk+Management+of++Medical+Electrical+Equipment+Package&source=whatsnew120511)
This package specifies general requirements and tests for electromagnetic compatibility of medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems, and identifies the hazards and risks associated with them. It also provides the means to estimate and evaluate the associated risks, control these risks, and monitor the effectiveness of the controls.

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