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What’s New?

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Sino-U.S. Workshop on New Energy Standardization Held in Beijing**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3319&source=whatsnew073012)

A day-long workshop organized by the China Association for Standardization (CAS) and ANSI focusing on new energy standardization – and specifically electric vehicles – was held July 23, 2012, in Beijing.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3319&source=whatsnew073012)

[**ANSI Releases Workshop Report on Efforts to Improve Access to Standards Data through an Enhanced National Standards Search Engine**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3314&source=whatsnew073012)

ANSI has released a workshop report on the status of the redevelopment of NSSN, the search engine for standards. With support from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), ANSI is undertaking this work as part of an effort to help avoid the creation of conflicting or duplicative standards

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[**Updated ISO/IEC 17024 Standard for Personnel Certification Expected to Bolster Confidence in Providers of Specialized Services**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3315&source=whatsnew073012)

The recently updated ISO/IEC 17024:2012, *Conformity assessment – General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons*, provides a global benchmark for personnel certification programs to ensure that they operate in a consistent, comparable, and reliable manner worldwide.

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[**Standards Support the Spectacle at the 2012 Summer Olympics Opening Ceremony**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3317&source=whatsnew073012)

Last Friday marked the opening ceremony of the 2012 Summer Olympic Games in London. The event was seen by 62,000 live spectators at London’s Olympic Stadium, as well as by 1 billion viewers worldwide. With the help of standards, the opening ceremony was a safe and memorable occasion for all.

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**[Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Electronic Messages to Kitchen Exhausts](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3320&source=whatsnew073012)**

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena, many of which are performed by ANSI members and ANSI-accredited standards developers.

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[**People on the Move**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3316&source=whatsnew073012)

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

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, July 24 – July 30, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/07%2030%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew073012)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, June 9th, 2012 – July 30, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2012/NCRPNotices%2007_30_12.pdf?&source=whatsnew073012)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action* – July 27, 2012**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4330.pdf?&source=whatsnew073012)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=whatsnew073012)
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=whatsnew073012)
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=whatsnew073012)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew073012).

CALENDAR

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**[ANSI-HSSP Workshop on CBRNE Standards](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2012/hssp_workshop0512.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew073012)**September 11, 2012
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI-HSSP Plenary and Workshop on Global Supply Chain Security Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2012/HSSP_workshop_meeting_0912.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew073012)September 12–13, 2012
Washington, DC

[**World Standards Week 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/WSW12/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew073012)October 9-12, 2012
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Please check the [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew073012) page of ANSI Online regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew073012), 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=whatsnew073012)

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=whatsnew073012) 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=whatsnew073012) of ANSI Online.

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[**ISO 50001 / CSA PLUS 50001 - Energy Management Systems Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ISO+50001+%2f+CSA+PLUS+50001+-+Energy+Management+Systems+Package)

The ISO 15189 / CSA PLUS 15189 - Medical Laboratories Package provides the requirements to develop and assess a medical laboratory quality management system.

For information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew073012) (eSS), please visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew072312) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, storemanager@ansi.org).

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