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**What’s New?**

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Draft Agenda Released for ANSI Joint Member Forum**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3555&source=whatsnew031813)

ANSI has publicly released a draft agenda for its 2013 Joint Member Forum (JMF), one of its annual spring member meetings. This year’s JMF will focus on issues related to smart cities under the theme of “Making Smart Cities Smarter with Standards and Conformance.” Registration for all 2013 spring member meetings ends March 29, 2013.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3555&source=whatsnew031813)

[**Reminder: USNC Seeking Nominations for IEC Young Professionals Now**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3546&source=whatsnew031813)

The U.S. National Committee (USNC) to the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), a totally integrated committee of ANSI, would like to remind all electrotechnology and standardization professionals to submit nominations for U.S. participants to take part in the Young Professionals 2013 Workshop by Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3546&source=whatsnew031813)

[**Proposed Field of ISO Technical Activity to Focus on Audit Data Services**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3541&source=whatsnew031813)

The Standardization Administration of China (SAC), the Chinese member body to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), has submitted a proposal for a new field of technical activity on audit data services. ANSI invites all interested stakeholders to submit comments on the proposal by Friday, April 26, 2013.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3541&source=whatsnew031813)

[**Revised ISO/IEC Standard on Ada Programming Language Boosts Computer Security for High-Risk Industries**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3537&source=whatsnew031813)

A subcommittee of ISO / IEC Joint Technical Committee (JTC) 1 has issued a revised standard for the Ada programming language that bolsters protection against viruses and other digital threats.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3537&source=whatsnew031813)

[**Keep Your Kidneys Healthy on World Kidney Day with a Little Help from Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3548&source=whatsnew031813)

March 14, 2013, marked the eighth annual World Kidney Day, an initiative intended to spread awareness about good kidney health and the risks and warning signs of kidney disease. World Kidney Day is jointly run by the International Society of Nephrology (ISN) and the International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF), with assistance from international nephrology and transplantation experts. Maintaining good kidney health and effectively treating individuals with kidney diseases are important goals facilitated by voluntary consensus standards in the U.S. and abroad.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3548&source=whatsnew031813)

[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3552&source=whatsnew031813)

*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.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3552&source=whatsnew031813)

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*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, March 12, 2013 – March 18, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/03%2018%2013.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, February 8, 2013 – March 18, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2003_11_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – March 15, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4411.pdf?&source=whatsnew031813)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==whatsnew031813)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.[***2011-2012 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2011_12_Annual_Report_Final_with_Roster.pdf?&source=whatsnew031813)This year's annual report, *Leadership for a Rapidly Changing World*, 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.

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CALENDAR

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[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/nescc_0313.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew031813)March 28, 2013
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Intellectual Property Rights Policy Committee (IPRPC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew031813)April 2-3, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Company Member Forum (CMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew031813)April 3-4, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Joint Member Forum (JMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew031813)April 4, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Organizational Member Forum (OMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew031813)April 5, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw13/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew031813)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew031813)

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

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