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**What’s New?**

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[**Students: Enter ANSI’s 2013 Student Paper Competition Now!**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4414.pdf?menuid=7&articleid=3549)

**~ LAST CHANCE: Final Deadline is April 15 ~**

[**More Information Here**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3549)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Making Smart Cities Smarter with Standards and Conformance Explored at ANSI Joint Member Forum**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2011_12_Annual_Report_Final_with_Roster.pdf?menuid=7&articleid=3578&source=whatsnew040813)

ANSI recently held a Joint Member Forum to discuss how standards and conformance can contribute to smart cities initiatives. Input is being sought from U.S. stakeholders on a possible U.S. Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Technical Committee (TC) 268 on *Sustainable Development in Communities*.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3578&source=whatsnew040813)

[**The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative Seeks Comment on Proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership Agreement**](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?menuid=7&articleid=3577&source=whatsnew040813)

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) is soliciting public comments regarding planned negotiations connected with the creation of a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) agreement with the European Union.

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[**ANSI Accredits DOT Quality Services as First U.S. Certification body to Offer ISO 3834 Certification**](http://webstore.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=3573&source=whatsnew040813)

ANSI is pleased to announce the first accreditation of a U.S. certification body offering certification under ISO 3834 - *Quality Requirements for Welding*.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3573&source=whatsnew040813)

[**Paper Competition Announced for U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=3575&source=whatsnew040813)

The 2013 World Standards Day Paper Competition has been announced by the U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day Planning Committee and the paper competition’s sponsor, SES – The Society for Standards Professionals.

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[**New ISO Standard Sets Guideline for Armed Maritime Guards**](http://webstore.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=3562&source=whatsnew040813)

ISO TC 8, *Ships and marine technology*, recently developed a new standard in response to an increase in the number of armed guards on seagoing vessels.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3562&source=whatsnew040813)

**Standards Spiff Up the Place during Spring Cleaning**

With the impending arrival of spring comes spring cleaning. Thankfully, voluntary consensus standards help provide rules and guidance that make cleaning safe and effective.

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[**People on the Move**](http://twitter.com/ansidotorg?menuid=7&articleid=3572&source=whatsnew040813)

People on the Move spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue: Scott Hamilton and Yael Weinman.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3572&source=whatsnew040813)

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, April 2, 2013 – April 8, 2013](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, April 2, 2013 – April 8, 2013](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – April 5, 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?&source=whatsnew040813)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://ansidotorg.blogspot.com/?&source==whatsnew040813)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://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?&source=whatsnew040813)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.

Check out our otherpublicationsand[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew040813).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew040813) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?menuid=8&source=whatsnew040813)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?&source=whatsnew040813)

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/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew040813) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

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