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**What’s New?**

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[**Register Now! ANSI’s Smart and Sustainable Cities Workshop**](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=8)

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**DC Forensic Science Lab Earns Accreditation from the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board**](http://webstore.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=3783&source=whatsnew111113)

The ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board recently accredited the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) of the District of Columbia's Department of Forensic Sciences (DFS) to ISO/IEC 17025, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3783&source=whatsnew111113)

[**Last Chance in 2013: Accreditation Workshop on Personnel Certification on November 18-19**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/event_details.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3782&source=whatsnew111113)

On November 18-19, ANSI will offer the final 2013 session of its popular, two-day accreditation workshop on personnel certification activities, which was recently updated to reflect the latest version of the international standard ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024.

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[**ANSI Accredits BPI’s Home Energy Professional Certifications**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3786&source=whatsnew111113)

ANSI member and accredited standards developer the Building Performance Institute (BPI) recently announced the official launch of its Home Energy Professional (HEP) certifications for advanced home performance and weatherization professionals. BPI’s HEP certification program is accredited under ANSI’s Accreditation Program for Personnel Certification Bodies.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=3786&source=whatsnew111113)

[**FTA Seeks Input on Standards for Public Transit Safety**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Smart_Cities_Workshop.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3763&source=whatsnew111113)

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)’s Federal Transit Administration (FTA) recently posted a consolidated advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) on the U.S. *Federal Register* requesting input on a number of subject areas related to the FTA’s Public Transportation Safety Program and the requirements associated with the National Transit Asset Management (TAM) System.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3763&source=whatsnew111113)

[**Standards Go to the Polls on Election Day**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3779&source=whatsnew111113)

Millions of Americans turned out to vote last week in a wide variety of state and local elections, including gubernatorial, legislative, and mayoral races. ANSI celebrates the voluntary consensus standards that support a wide variety of activities needed for a successful Election Day.

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[**Did You Know?**](mailto:membership@ansi.org?menuid=7&articleid=3784&source=whatsnew111113)

*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: SAE, TIA, ASHRAE, the Simon Institute, and FamilyFarms.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3784&source=whatsnew111113)

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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 5, 2013 – November 11, 2013](http://plus.google.com/103554078283468148972)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, September 28, 2013 – November 11, 2013](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – November 8, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4445.pdf?&source=whatsnew111113)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://www.facebook.com/pages/ANSI-American-National-Standards-Institute/46446679081?&source==whatsnew111113)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.

[***United States Conformity Assessment Principles* (USCAP) *– Third Edition***](http://www.youtube.com/user/ansidotorg?&source==whatsnew111113)The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* document articulates the principles for U.S. conformity assessment activities that the consumer, buyers, sellers, regulators and other interested parties should be aware of to have confidence in the processes of providing conformity assessment, while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[***2012-2013 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/11%2011%2013.pdf?&source=whatsnew111113)This year's annual report, *Building Connections, Fostering Solutions*, covers the work carried out by ANSI and its Federation of members to safeguard the U.S. standardization system and support the development of standards-based solutions for economic growth, innovation, and national and global priorities.

[***What Is ANSI?***](http://twitter.com/ansidotorg?&source=whatsnew111113)This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute’s programs and activities, with links to more detailed information.  
  
Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew111113)and[documents of interest](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?menuid=7&source=whatsnew111113).

CALENDAR

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[**ANSI Workshop: Smart and Sustainable Cities**](http://ansidotorg.blogspot.com/?menuid=8&source=whatsnew111113)November 21, 2013  
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Company Member Forum (CMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Smart_Cities_Workshop.aspx?menuid=8&eid=1941&source=whatsnew111113)April 2–3, 2014  
San Diego, CA

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2010_28_13.pdf?&source=whatsnew111113)

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/meetings_events/events/2013/Smart_Cities_Workshop.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew111113) 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/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew111113) of ANSI Online.

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**IEC 60950 - Information Technology Equipment Safety Package**](http://www.standardslearn.org/?sku=IEC+60950+-+Information+Technology+Equipment+Safety+Package&source=package_landing_page&source=whatsnew110413)

IEC 60950 - Information Technology Equipment Safety Package provides the safety requirements for main powered or battery powered information technology equipment. IEC 60950 - Information Technology Equipment Safety Package is also applicable to remote power feeding, large data storage and remote power feeding for information technology equipment.

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