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**What’s New?**

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**ANSI General Counsel to Testify Before Congress on Standards and Copyright Protection**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3839&source=whatsnew011314)

Patricia Griffin, ANSI vice president and general counsel, will testify on Tuesday, January 14, 2014, before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3839&source=whatsnew011314)

[**Reminder: Less Than Two Weeks until Free ANSI Workshop on Arbitration of RAND Disputes**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3835&source=whatsnew011314)

The workshop will build upon ANSI’s 2013 Legal Issues Forum, which examined significant issues connected to the licensing of standard-essential patents (SEPs) on reasonable and non-discriminatory (RAND) terms.

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[**ANSI Electric Vehicles Standards Panel to Continue Work in 2014**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3840&source=whatsnew011314)

The ANSI Electric Vehicles Standards Panel (EVSP) will develop a progress report on efforts to address the standardization gaps identified in its 2013 roadmap.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3840&source=whatsnew011314)

[**Keep Warm with Standards during the Depths of Winter**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3836&source=whatsnew011314)

Voluntary consensus standards support the many products that keep Americans safe and comfortable during these chilly months.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3836&source=whatsnew011314)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Industrial Robots to Zinc Orthophosphate**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3838&source=whatsnew011314)

Each month, ANSI publishes snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena. In this edition: industrial robots and zinc orthophosphate.

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[**Standards Set a Good Example during National Mentoring Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3834&source=whatsnew011314)

ANSI applauds the many groups that carry out work to support mentoring, including standards developing organizations who have developed guidelines that bolster mentoring-related activities nationwide.

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[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3837&source=whatsnew011314)

*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: "The Takeaway," SES webinar, ICC, ITI, and ASC X12.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3837&source=whatsnew011314)

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[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, January 7, 2014 – January 13, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2014/01%2013%2014.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, September 28, 2013 – January 13, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2010_28_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

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[**Standards Action – January 10, 2014**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2014-PDFs/SAV4502.pdf?&source=whatsnew011314)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==whatsnew011314)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://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source==whatsnew011314)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/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2012_13_Annual_Report_with_Roster.pdf?&source=whatsnew011314)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://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=whatsnew011314)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=whatsnew011314)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew011314).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew011314) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI Workshop: Arbitration of RAND Dispute**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2014/Arbitration_of_RAND_Disputes.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew011314)**s**January 21, 2014
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Company Member Forum (CMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2014/Company_Member_Forum_0414.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew011314)April 2–3, 2014
San Diego, CA

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew011314)

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=whatsnew011314) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

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