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**What’s New?**

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Paper Competition Announced for U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day 2014**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3925&source=whatsnew041414)

The theme for this year’s paper competition, *Standards Level the Playing Field*, reflects the important role that voluntary consensus standards play in support of trade and economic growth in today’s increasingly global economy. The competition is sponsored by SES – The Society for Standards Professionals; submissions are due by August 8.

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[**ANSI Product Certification Training Workshops Scheduled for August 7–8 and November 11–12**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3918&source=whatsnew041414)

These two-day workshops are designed to introduce interested stakeholders to the international standard ISO/IEC 17065, *Conformity assessment — Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services*, the international benchmark for product certification.

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[**U.S. Stakeholders Encouraged to Attend Global Cities Summit in Toronto on May 15-16**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3919&source=whatsnew041414)

The summit will provide participants with the opportunity to engage proactively with other stakeholders, discussing challenges, innovations, and partnerships associated with the pursuit of sustainable futures for tomorrow’s cities. The theme of this year’s event is *Getting on Track: Sustainable & Inclusive Prosperity for Cities*.

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[**New April 25 Deadline for Comments on EPA Guidelines for Use of Ecolabels for Sustainable Federal Purchasing**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3922&source=whatsnew041414)

The EPA’s draft guidelines cover procedures for the development of environmental performance standards for products, the criteria for environmental preferability associated with a given standard or ecolabel and rules for related conformity assessment, and general management and organizational practices associated with ecolabeling programs.

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[**ISO 9001 and the Public Sector: Two New Documents, One Big Benefit and Millions of Happy Citizens**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3921&source=whatsnew041414)

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) has published two new documents for public sector bodies, including local governments and electoral groups.

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[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3923&source=whatsnew041414)

*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: SES, ASME, AAMVA, and CREATe.org.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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, April 8, 2014 – April 14, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2014/04%2014%2014.pdf?&source=whatsnew041414)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, February 25, 2014 – April 14, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2014/NCRPNotices%2003_31_14.pdf?&source=whatsnew041414)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – April 11, 2014**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2014-PDFs/SAV4515.pdf?&source=whatsnew041414)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==whatsnew041414)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==whatsnew041414)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=whatsnew041414)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=whatsnew041414)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=whatsnew041414)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew041414).

CALENDAR

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[**ANSI World Standards Week (WSW)**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw14/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew041414)October 20–24, 2014
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew041414)

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=whatsnew041414) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

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