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**What’s New?**

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**New Report on Addressing U.S. Hiring Difficulties Highlights the Importance of ANSI’s Workforce Accreditation Activities**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4099&source=whatsnew102014)

A recently published report from the New America Foundation examining hiring difficulties suffered by U.S. employers highlights the important role played ANSI in addressing these issues.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4099&source=whatsnew102014)

[**ANSI Seeks Comments on Proposed Conversion of ISO Forensic Sciences Project Committee into a Technical Committee**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4100&source=whatsnew102014)

Standards Australia (SA), the Australian member body to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), has submitted a proposal to requesting that ISO Project Committee (PC) 272, *Forensic sciences*, be converted into a new ISO technical committee (TC). ANSI invites all interested stakeholders to submit comments on the proposal by Friday, December 12, 2014.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4100&source=whatsnew102014)

[**ANSI Members Join U.S. Department of Energy Better Buildings Challenge to Reduce Energy Usage**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4097&source=whatsnew102014)

The nineteen new Better Building Challenge partners are the first organizations involved in the initiative to focus on energy efficiency in connection with their operation of data centers.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4097&source=whatsnew102014)

[**Tattoos: Standards Leave Their Mark**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4092&source=whatsnew102014)

Voluntary consensus standards, including many developed by members of the ANSI Federation, play an important role in supporting the safety of the tattooing process in tattoo parlors nationwide.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4092&source=whatsnew102014)

[**Standards Keep Pages Turning during National Book Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4091&source=whatsnew102014)

Whether you’re browsing paperbacks at your local independent book store or attending story time at the public library with your children, voluntary standards help support books and reading during National Book Month and beyond.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4091&source=whatsnew102014)

[**People on the Move**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=4096&source=whatsnew102014)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue: James Olthoff and Stacy Linden.

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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, October 14, 2014 – October 20, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2014/10%2020%2014.pdf?&source=whatsnew102014)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, September 23, 2014 – October 20, 2014](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2014/NCRPNotices%2010_13_14.pdf?&source=whatsnew102014)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – October 17, 2014**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2014-PDFs/SAV4542.pdf?&source=whatsnew102014)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==whatsnew102014)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==whatsnew102014)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=whatsnew102014)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=whatsnew102014)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=whatsnew102014)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew102014).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew102014) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI World Standards Week (WSW)**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw14/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew102014)October 20–24, 2014
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2014/nescc_1114.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew102014)November 3, 2014
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew102014)

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=whatsnew102014) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

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[**ISO 31000 - Risk Management Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ISO+31000+-+Risk+Management+Package&source=whatsnew102014)

The ISO 31000 - Risk Management Package is a comprehensive risk management collection that can be applied by any public, private or community enterprise, association, group or individual to establish a risk management process. ISO 31000 - Risk Management Package provides the principles, guidelines, techniques, and vocabulary for your risk management process.

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