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**What’s New?**

*What’s New?* is a weekly electronic newsletter produced and distributed free of charge to the members and constituents of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). For a complete listing of ANSI news and events, visit [ANSI Online. >>>](http://webstore.ansi.org/default.aspx?&source=whatsnew&source=whatsnew030215)

HEADLINES

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI…

**Opportunities Available for Upcoming Standards Alliance Events in Southern Africa, Vietnam, Colombia, and Guatemala**

The Standards Alliance, a public-private partnership between the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), will be hosting a number of conferences and workshops in Southern Africa, Vietnam, Colombia, and Guatemala in the coming months.

**Chinese Premier Li Addresses Reform of China’s Standardization System**

Recent comments from Chinese Premier Li Keqiang indicate support at the highest levels of the Chinese government for deepening the reform of China’s standardization system, a process that has been underway for several years.

[**Orchestrating Infrastructure for Sustainable Smart Cities**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=fa8ea976-8a74-4140-8658-c4c3ff22285b&source=whatsnew030215)

The IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission), with the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) as principal partner, has produced a White Paper aimed at identifying ways to orchestrate infrastructure for sustainable Smart Cities.

[**Reminder: ANSI-Accredited Standards Developers: 2015 Procedural Compliance Form Must Be Submitted by March 2, 2015**](http://www.ansi.org/?menuid=7&articleid=8ca54f9d-42bc-4b69-a8c9-9dc9fd7babdd&source=whatsnew030215)

ANSI wishes to remind all ANSI-accredited standards developers (ASDs) that the 2015 ASD procedural compliance form recently issued via e-mail is due today.

[**ANSI Welcomes New Members**](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=30261de5-b71c-455c-8433-1341f6c352d0) ANSI proudly welcomed 7 new members in February 2015.

[**Consumers and Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=f025f5a1-898b-4d9d-93a0-76ff2ada8430&source=whatsnew030215)

Editorial: Kathleen Thuner calls for participation in the ANSI Consumer Interest Forum. Originally published in Standards Engineering, the journal of SES: The Society for Standards Professionals.

**Did You Know?** *Did You Know*? offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Federation of members and partners, highlighting recent accomplishments and new resources related to standardization. In this issue: AGA, ASHRAE, RIA, and IEC.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Check us out on …

                       

PUBLIC POLICY

This week’s *Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[**Standards-Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, February 23-27, 2015**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx)

[**National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register – January 2015 - February 2015**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – February 27, 2015**](http://plus.google.com/103554078283468148972)ANSI’s key public review vehicle enables effective participation in the standards development process.

[**United States Standards Strategy (USSS) – Third Edition**](http://www.facebook.com/pages/ANSI-American-National-Standards-Institute/46446679081?&source=whatsnew022315)The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework to further advance trade 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=whatsnew022315)
The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* articulates how U.S. conformity assessment activities foster confidence while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[**2014 Annual Report**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2015/03_2_15.pdf?&source=whatsnew022315)This year’s annual report, *Strategies for a Strong Nation and a Safer, Healthier World*, provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents in support of ANSI’s mission.

[**What Is ANSI?**](http://twitter.com/ansidotorg?&source=whatsnew022315)This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute’s ongoing programs and activities.

Check out our other[publications](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?menuid=7&source=whatsnew022315)anddocuments of interest.

CALENDAR

Visit the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew022315) of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

[**ANSI Company Member Forum Meeting**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2015-PDFs/SAV4609.pdf?menuid=8&source=whatsnew022315)April 7 – 8, 2015
Corning, NY

[**ANSI Organizational Member Forum Meeting (OMF)**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=8&eid=2085)

May 6, 2015
Arlington, VA

[**World Standards Week 2015**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?&source=whatsnew022315)September 28 – October 2, 2015
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Check out ANSI’s [Education and Training](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2013-14_Annual_Report_with_Roster.pdf?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew022315) page regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew022315) for easy-to-use educational tools that address the full range of standards activities. All of the courses and resources are free and provided by ANSI as a public service.

[Standardization Case Studies](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2015/CMF-meeting-0415.aspx?&source=whatsnew022315) demonstrate how standardization helped in the resolution of real-world problems. Instructors can use these case studies as a vehicle to stimulate class discussion of standardization and its potential economic and/or operational benefits.

ANSI’s [K-12 Learning Resources](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?menuid=9&source=whatsnew022315) provide a fun and interactive introduction to standards and the critical role they play in everyday life.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

ANSI provides an [online network](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2015/NCRPNotices_02_02_15.pdf?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew022315) of standardization-related career opportunities as a service to our members and constituents. ANSI’s [Career page](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew022315) includes openings in ANSI’s New York and Washington, DC, offices, as well as job listings from ANSI member and other prominent companies and organizations.

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[**eStandards Store**](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?&source=whatsnew022315)Need a single copy? Check out the [eStandards Store (eSS)…](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew022315)

This week’s featured eSS package:

[**ISO 178 / ISO 527 - Plastics Flexural and Tensile Properties Package**](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/K_12_students.aspx?sku=ISO+178+/+ISO+527+-+Plastics+Flexural+and+Tensile+Properties+Package&source=whatsnew030215)

ISO 178 / ISO 527 - Plastics Flexural and Tensile Properties Package provides principles and methods for determining flexural and tensile properties of plastics. ISO 178 / ISO 527 - Plastics Flexural and Tensile Properties Package is specifically applicable to rigid and semi-rigid thermoplastics molding, extrusion and cast materials, including compounds filled and reinforced by short fibers, small rods, plates or granules.

For more information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store (eSS)](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?&source=whatsnew022315), visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/sitelicense.aspx?&source=whatsnew021715) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, [storemanager@ansi.org](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/latest_headlines.aspx)).

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