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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://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew010317)

HEADLINES

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI…

[**ANSI Names Mary Saunders as Vice President, Government Relations and Public Policy**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=7ccfdc36-5dca-401c-b969-5d75a4a2db74&source=whatsnew010317)

ANSI, the coordinator of the U.S. voluntary standardization system, is pleased to announce that Mary Saunders will join ANSI as vice president, government relations and public policy, on March 1, 2017. She succeeds Scott Cooper, who retired from ANSI at the end of 2016.

[**Standards Alliance Organizes Ghana Delegation Visit Highlighting Textiles and Apparel**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=aecd4949-1a66-446c-9541-03b3f5d261dc&source=whatsnew010317)

ANSI, through its public-private partnership with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) known as the Standards Alliance, organized two days of standards-related events in Washington, D.C., for members of the Ghanaian textiles and apparel industry.

[**ANSI Vice President for International Policy Visits China**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=7d0e780e-ecf6-4076-a47e-15fb189cb36a&source=whatsnew010317)

ANSI’s vice president for international policy, Joseph Tretler, Jr., traveled to China in December 2016 to engage Chinese counterparts on ANSI member priority issues. ANSI’s senior leadership make regular trips to China, reflecting the Institute’s long history of cooperation with China and the volume of activities carried out under ANSI’s China program.

[**Reminder: Developing Conformity Assessment Guidance: A NIST Workshop**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=1bc28d7e-4ec0-4c2e-b2f5-3ea60f546061&source=whatsnew122716)

The U.S. Commerce Department’s National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) will host a workshop related to conformity assessment guidance and the OMB Circular A119 on February 28, 2017, in Gaithersburg, MD. ANSI encourages stakeholders to attend and sign up in advance via NIST’s registration page.

[**As Cyber-threats Evolve, Standardization Organizations Resolve to Provide Updated Solutions**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=fc086e91-fbee-4026-9760-a4cbaef652cf&source=whatsnew010317)

In 2017 and beyond, cybersecurity will undoubtedly continue to be a critical priority for organizations, companies, and governments around the world. ANSI is proud to highlight a few recent activities from its members and partners, both international and domestic that leverage standardization as a tool to combat cyber-threats.

[**Did You Know?**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=571e473d-1418-4338-a9ce-1d52566d60ed&source=whatsnew010317)

*Did You Know?* offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation of members and partners, highlighting recent accomplishments and new resources related to standardization. In this issue: AIIM, the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA), the Robotic Industries Association, and the Rubber Manufacturers Association.

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, December 26 – 30, 2016**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2017/1_2_17.pdf)

[**National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register: 2016-2017**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2016/NCRPNotices_11_2016.pdf?&source=whatsnew122716)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – December 30, 2016**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/Standards%20Action/2016-PDFs/SAV4753.pdf)

ANSI’s key public review vehicle enables effective participation in the standards development process.

[**United States Standards Strategy (USSS)**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/ANSI_USSS_2015.pdf?&source=whatsnew010317) 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)**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source=whatsnew010317)
The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* articulates how U.S. conformity assessment activities foster confidence while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[**2015 – 2016 Annual Report**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2015_16_Annual_Report.pdf?&source=whatsnew010317)The 2016 annual report, *Collaborative Standardization Solutions for a Strong Nation and a Safer World,* provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents in support of ANSI’s mission.

[**What Is ANSI?**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=whatsnew010317)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://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew010317)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew010317).

CALENDAR

Visit the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew010317) of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Check out ANSI’s [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew010317) page regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew010317) 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.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew010317) 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://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/K_12_students.aspx?menuid=9&source=whatsnew010317) 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://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew010317) of standardization-related career opportunities as a service to our members and constituents. ANSI’s [Career page](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew010317) 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://webstore.ansi.org/default.aspx?&source=whatsnew010317)Need a single copy? Check out the [eStandards Store (eSS)…](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew010317)

This week’s featured eSS package:

[**ISO/IEC 17043 / ISO 17034 - Material Proficiency Testing Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ISO%2fIEC+17043+%2f+ISO+17034+-+Material+Proficiency+Testing+Package&source=whatsnew010317)

ISO/IEC 17043 and ISO 17034 Material Proficiency Testing Package provides the requirements to demonstrate the competence of producers of reference materials that provide proficiency test items. Proficiency testing schemes and reference materials can be designed and used in the calibration of a measurement system, assessment of a measurement procedure or assigning values to the materials.

For more information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store (eSS)](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew010317), visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew010317) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, storemanager@ansi.org).

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