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| [ANSI Federation Members Offer Podcasts, Industry Resources in COVID-19 Response](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=d6a24327-82b5-4074-992d-d7279befea64&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)The ANSI Federation and standardization community are stepping up with guidance, resources, and initiatives to support public health, safety, and infrastructure during the COVID-19 outbreak. In this issue, ANSI features the following news:* **ASHRAE** Epidemic Task Force Resources Available
* **"ASCE Plot Points"** Podcast Offers Support for Civil Engineering Community
* **CLSI** Releases Documents Helpful for COVID-19 Testing
* **IAPMO** and Industry Partners Host "How the Federal COVID-19 Response Impacts Your Business” Webinar; Recording Now Available
* **ICC** Offers Expansive Set of Resources for Policymakers and Building Officials
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* **PMMI** Offers Podcast, Virtual Town Hall Series
* **RIA** Webinar: Opportunities for Autonomous Mobile Robots: During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic

[ANSI and European Standards Organization Leaders Discuss Strategic Approach to International Cooperation](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=16f047b7-96f4-474a-bc14-031016e49170&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)As part of a longstanding dialogue on transatlantic cooperation in standardization, ANSI and the European Standards Organizations (ESOs)–CEN, CENELEC, and ETSI–recently met at ANSI’s Washington, DC, headquarters for collaborative discussions. A number of U.S. standards development organizations, ANSI members, and representatives of industry and government representatives joined the ESOs and European counterparts.[ANSI Releases 2020 First Quarter of ANSI in China Newsletter](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=05979f4f-1c22-4471-b909-443a2e87a4dd&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)ANSI’s international policy department has released the 2020 first quarter edition of its *ANSI in China Newsletter*, a resource for updates on technical activities, policy decisions, trade matters, and other information of interest to ANSI members operating in or interacting with China. Headlines from the English version of the first quarter 2020 edition include:* U.S.-China SCACP Workshop Updates amidst COVID-19
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[Cap-Net and ANSI Partner to Support National Adoption of Non-Sewered Sanitation Standards in Africa and Asia](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=ba88a25c-fefb-4e1c-ad31-4f542372bb5d&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)A new partnership between Cap-Net UNDP and ANSI will deliver blended training in 17 countries in Africa and Asia to encourage the national adoption and use of two international non-sewered sanitation standards, ISO 24521 and ISO 30500.[ANAB Keeps Accreditation on Track Amidst COVID-19 Pandemic With Remote Assessment Capabilities](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=f943a5a8-0dd3-416d-91d9-6a899ccb0056&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)The ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) is utilizing remote technology to conduct assessment activities to serve its current and potential customers. Please contact ANAB at anab@anab.org or 414-501-5494 with any questions.[Leveraging Global Accessibility with Standards: Products, Goods, and Services for Everyone](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=20d14c07-2706-46ae-b1c7-d5cb066aa5a9&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)With more than one billion people around the world living with some form of disability, work is underway to support the development of standards that encompass the widest range of users to ensure that more people can access, identify, and operate products, goods, and services. The Strategic Advisory Group on Accessibility (SAG)—in its second year—supports this mission, and aims to bring awareness on accessibility and to provide information and guidance to the technical community on how to consider accessibility issues when developing new standards or when revising existing standards.[ANAB Awarded Contract for Louisiana Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=861a3431-bae3-41e7-82da-64b5bf969bf6&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)The Louisiana Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (LELAP) is designed to ensure that accredited methods are used in the generation of environmental data and that quality data is provided by commercial laboratories to their clients when said data (chemical analyses, analytical results, or other test data) are required to be submitted to or maintained by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.[ISO, IEC, and ITU March 2020 Listings of Work Items Published](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=4d7cb654-f1d4-4d21-9d41-175ddd07b312&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)In an effort to increase stakeholder engagement and collaboration and reduce duplicative work, the International Organization for Standardization, International Electrotechnical Commission, and International Telecommunications Union have coordinated the publication of a monthly document that lists all new work items from the three organizations, including updates on the projects and timelines for the technical commitees' work.[NIST Announces Funding for Standards Curricula Development](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=e9a30c84-4e33-427e-bbac-3d439f17e821&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)ANSI encourages stakeholders to apply to the National Institute of Standards and Technology's FY2020 Standards Services Curricula Development Cooperative Agreement Program. The program awards funding to eligible applicants to develop undergraduate- and/or graduate-level curricula to incorporate documentary standards, standards development, and standardization information and content into seminars, modules, courses, and learning resources at U.S. colleges and universities. Applications are due by **June 15, 2020**.[People on the Move](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=094f5983-db90-4e33-a7c7-3f12180726aa&utm_campaign=OO_EML_20April-20-2020-whatsnew_BG&utm_medium=email&utm_source=whatsnew)*People on the Move* highlights the career advancements of high-level trailblazers working professionally in diverse areas of standardization, contributing every day to the strength and success of the U.S. standards and conformance community. In this issue:* **Gary Konarska** II is the new executive director and CEO at the **American Welding Society**.
* **Jerry Carrier** is the senior vice president of Uniform Evaluation Services and the Institute of Building Technology, of the **International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials**.
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