The U.S.-India Standards and Conformance Cooperation Program (SCCP) is a comprehensive program designed to help companies and increase Indo-U.S. trade by boosting cooperation on standards and conformance issues.

Sponsored by the U.S. Trade Development Agency (USTDA) and coordinated by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the program will help continue the recent increase in Indo-U.S. trade and facilitate technical dialogue between targeted industry sectors. The program will be carried out in close cooperation with the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

The U.S.-India SCCP will include three main components:

- Development of a U.S. Standards Directory which will include information on standards, conformance procedures, technical regulations, and trade capacity building initiatives for five key sectors

- Standards and Conformance Workshops sponsored and co-organized by U.S. private-sector organizations and designed to provide targeted technical exchange between small groups of industry stakeholders to address specific issues related to standards and conformance

- Expansion of StandardsPortal (www.standardsportal.org) to include new features such as expanded information on the standards and conformance systems in India, a guide to U.S. best practices, a directory of conformance bodies in the U.S., and a directory of U.S. regulatory agencies

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