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## FEATURED MEETING

## ANSI 2006 ANNUAL CONFERENCE STANDARDIZATION AND INNOVATION

Wednesday, October 11, 2006

## Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

If innovation were a footrace, would it be viewed as a marathon, a relay, or a sprint? Business icons, experts and scholars from Bill Gates to Thomas Friedman are questioning whether the U.S. is positioned today to compete successfully on the global scene tomorrow. How is innovation affecting national health and safety, the acceleration of emerging technologies, or development of trade strategies? What is the impact of innovation on organizations that are engaged in standards setting and conformity assessment activities?

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) will present an examination of these questions during the 2006 ANSI Annual Conference: Standardization and Innovation, on Wednesday, October 11, at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, DC. Speakers and panelists from government, business, industry and academia will describe the impact of innovation on business planning and global trade. Case studies will highlight how the future is being changed in business and trade practices, healthcare, nanotechnology and more.

The agenda and registration materials may be found <u>here</u>.

The full schedule for World Standards Week may be found here.