February 2017 - News from SES

February Webinar
Wednesday, February 15, 2017 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm ET - Mapping Terminologies: Increasing Access to Knowledge. Ashleigh N. Faith, Professor at the University of Pittsburgh.
About the Webinar: Mapping terminologies to one another increases knowledge transfer, search precision and satisfaction, as well as search across dispersed databases. This presentation will define terminology mapping, identify mapping standards, methods and tools, highlight sources for terminology mining, and show examples of mapping in practice. Click here for more information and to register.

New 2017 SES Student Scholarship Program!
The Society for Standards Professionals has established a Scholarship Program to support students involved in the use of standards in their academic curriculum. We know that each new generation of graduating students holds the potential for helping us achieve our mission of increasing awareness and use of standards. Individual or Organization members may support the SES Scholarship Program. Underwriters Laboratories (www.ul.com) is the first organization to co-sponsor the newly established program. For more information about the scholarship or inquiries on scholarship funding opportunities, please contact admin@ses-standards.org.

Seeking SES Liaison to IFAN
The International Federation of Standards Users (IFAN) is an independent, not-for-profit international association of national organizations for the application of standards, and companies, professional and trade associations, academia, conformity assessment bodies, consultancies and governmental agencies, that are concerned with the use of standards.

The liaison position is open to any SES member in good standing. The liaison must be able to commit to a full 2-year term and have adequate funding to attend IFAN meetings as requested. No financial support is available from SES or IFAN. If interested please contact the SES Executive Director, Mike Morrell for a full position description.

Mark your calendars for the 66th Annual SES Conference, August 7 - 10, 2017. The 2017 conference will take place in Chicago, Illinois at the Drake Hotel, a historic Chicago landmark located at the start of the Magnificent Mile and featuring breathtaking views of Lake Michigan. This year’s Keynote speaker will be Jim Shannon, IEC President.
This year’s sessions are:
• From Discord to Accord: Getting to Harmonization
• Conformity Assessment – Perspectives on Reducing the Regulatory Burden
Case Study: Standards Success through Alliances
Balancing of Innovation and Standardization
Measuring the Impact of Standards Versus Regulations
Contextualizing Standards to Increase Understanding
Sustaining Engagement – Keeping the Flow Going

We will be joining two international groups on one day of the conference – International Cooperation for Education about Standardization (ICES) and International Federation of Standards Users (IFAN). More details to follow in the months to come.

SES to Review SES 2: 2011 Model Procedure for the Development of Standards
SES SC has started the review of its SES2 2011 Model Procedure for the Development of Standards. Some of the areas identified for improvement are:
- Consensus requirements – The three current “Options” would become examples. Members are invited to identify some others that should be considered for inclusion. For each, requirements for quorum, consensus, disposition of abstentions would be needed.
- Opportunity to vote – letter ballots, vote during meetings, etc.
- Disposition of comments – treatment for those submitted with affirmative or negative votes, options to address them and get consensus on resolutions, level of consensus needed function of the stage of the approval process.
To submit comments or suggestions around these areas email and_moldoveanu@nema.org.

Now Available!! SES 3: 2016, Recommended Practice for Joint Standards Development
This recommended practice provides guidance to Standards Development Organizations for the development of Joint Standards by outlining the key components of a Joint Standards Agreement and a recommended process for managing the development of Joint Standards. Click here for more information on SES 3 and to purchase your copy!

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**SES 2:2011, Model Procedure for the Development of Standards**

**SES 3:2016, Recommended Practice for Joint Standards Development**

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