Theme: **Standards and Emerging Technology Decisions – What Role Do Standards Play in Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity?**

1st Prize: $2,500  2nd Prize: $1,000  3rd Prize: $500

Deadline for Submission: April 15, 2013

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) 2013 Student Paper Competition examines the role played by standards in the aftermath of natural disasters such as Hurricane Sandy, with a particular focus on disaster recovery and business continuity. Students are asked to provide specific examples of how standards have been (or could have been) effectively used following a disaster or other emergency situation; papers may also identify areas related to emergency management where existing standards could be improved and new standards are required.

Papers must demonstrate what role standards play in disaster recovery and business continuity. **All entries must be submitted by 5 pm ET on April 15, 2013, to lrajchel@ansi.org, and adhere to the following:**

- Must be written and submitted by student(s) (associate, undergraduate, or graduate, in any discipline) enrolled during the period of January 2013 to April 2013 in a U.S. higher education institution
- Must have a title, a list of names of all contributing authors and their contact details, indicate the affiliated academic institution, and be prefaced with an abstract of no more than 400 words
- 2,000 words maximum (not including notes, tables, charts, and bibliography, which may not exceed 3 pages)
- In English and suitable for publication (assistance will be offered for final editing before publication of winning paper)
- Electronic format only, preferably Microsoft Word or other revisable format, in 12-point type size
- Original and not previously published (copyright will remain with the author; winners grant publication rights to ANSI and to any of the sponsoring organizations, as well as the right to release entries to other media)

The ANSI Committee on Education Student Paper Competition task group will screen all entries and recommend finalists for consideration by ANSI (ANSI reserves the right to award no prizes). **First, second, and third place winners will be awarded $2,500, $1,000, and $500 respectively.** The winning papers will be announced in mid-May and presented at a subsequent ANSI event. Selected papers will be published on ANSI's website, [www.ansi.org](http://www.ansi.org).

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