**NIST Standards Forum**

**National Institute of Standards and Technology  
100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20899  
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**September 11, 2024**

**9:00 AM – 5:00 PM ET**

Purpose: To communicate the commitment of NIST and its key partners to advance global standardization as a strategic priority for the United States.

Target Audience: NIST staff and stakeholders in the private sector and other federal agencies.

**Agenda**

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| **Time** | **Topics and Speakers** |
| 9:00 AM | **Opening Remarks** Shyam Sunder, Acting Director, Standards Coordination Office |
| 9:05 AM | **Keynote Address: National Standards Strategy for Critical and Emerging Technology** [Dr. Laurie Locascio](https://www.nist.gov/people/laurie-e-locascio), Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology and NIST Director |
| 9:35 AM | **Discussion** |
| 9:45 AM | *Break* |
| 10:00 AM | **Public-Private Partnerships to Advance Global Standardization[[1]](#footnote-2)**  Scope: Priorities for public-private partnerships to accelerate global standardization in critical and emerging technologies  Moderator: [Charles Romine](https://www.nist.gov/people/charles-h-romine), Associate Director of Laboratory Programs, NIST  Panelists:  [Mary H. Saunders](https://www.ansi.org/about/staff/saunders), Senior Vice President, Government Relations and Public Policy, American National Standards Institute (ANSI) [Andrew G. Kireta, Jr](https://www.astm.org/about/andrew-kireta.html)., President of ASTM International [Daniel C. Burnett](https://ieee-isto.org/board/daniel-c-burnett/), President & CEO, IEEE-Industry Standards and Technology Organization (IEEE-ISTO) [Susan M. Miller](https://atis.org/staff/susan-miller-president-ceo/), President and CEO, Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) [George A. Borlase](https://ulse.org/about?id=georgeaborlase), Interim Executive Director and Vice President of Standards Development, Underwriters Laboratories Standards and Engagement (ULS&E) |
| 11:30 AM | **Discussion** |
| 12:00 PM | *Lunch* |
| 1:00 PM | **Keynote Address: The Role of Conformity Assessment in CETs** Gordon Gillerman, Conformity Assessment Advisor, NIST |
| 1:30 PM | **Discussion** |
| 1:45 PM | **Driving Innovation Through Standardization (Part I)**  Scope: Exemplary impacts driving standardization from lab to market  Moderator: Craig Schlenoff, Acting Deputy Associate Director for Laboratory Programs  Panelists:  [Kevin Stine](https://www.nist.gov/news-events/news/2024/03/kevin-stine-named-director-nists-information-technology-laboratory), Director, Information Technology Laboratory [Babak Jahromi](https://www.linkedin.com/in/babakjah/), Tech Policy and Standards Architect, Microsoft [Joannie Chin](https://www.nist.gov/news-events/news/2021/12/nist-names-joannie-chin-director-its-engineering-laboratory), Director, Engineering Laboratory [Dominic Sims](https://www.iccsafe.org/about/leadership/dominic-sims/), Chief Executive Officer, International Code Council [James Kushmerick](https://www.nist.gov/people/james-g-kushmerick), Director, Physical Measurement Laboratory |
| 3:00 PM | **Discussion** |
| 3:15 PM | *Break* |
| 3:30 PM | **Driving Innovation Through Standardization (Part II)**  Scope: Exemplary impacts driving standardization from lab to market  Moderator: David Yashar, Acting Deputy Director, Standards Coordination Office  Panelists:  [Kate Beers](https://www.nist.gov/news-events/news/2024/05/kathryn-beers-named-director-nists-material-measurement-laboratory), Director, Material Measurement Laboratory [Jean Qiu](https://www.conigen.com/about-us/), Co-Founder and CTO, Conigen [Melissa Midzor](https://www.nist.gov/people/melissa-midzor), Acting Director, Communications Technology Laboratory [Nicholas Abbondante](https://www.linkedin.com/in/nicholas-abbondante-82553b2a5/), Global Chief Engineer of EMC, Intertek [Mary Bedner](https://www.nist.gov/people/mary-bedner), Senior Standards Advisor, CHIPS R&D Office |
| 4:45 PM | **Discussion** |
| 4:55 PM | **Closing Remarks & Adjourn**  Shyam Sunder, Acting Director, Standards Coordination Office |

1. Scope includes standards development, conformity assessment, quality management, and accreditation. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)