OASIS Receives ANSI Accreditation

2 April 2013 - The international OASIS open standards consortium announced that it has been accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) to develop and maintain American National Standards (ANS). Ratified OASIS Standards will now be eligible for ANS designation.

"ANSI accreditation is confirmation that the OASIS standards process adheres to the ANSI Essential Requirements of due process, openness, balance and consensus," said Lane Hallenbeck, ANSI VP of Accreditation Services.

"ANSI Accredited Standards Developer status is especially important for standards that will be referenced by national or local policy in the United States or whose stakeholders include government agencies or other groups that demand the highest degree of process assurance," said Scott McGrath, OASIS COO. "Each OASIS Technical Committee now will have the option to submit their approved standards for ANS status, and we are confident that many of them will take advantage of this."

ANSI is the latest well-known standards organization to formally recognize the OASIS process; others include the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Joint Technical Committee 1 (JTC1) of ISO and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC).

"ANSI accreditation is one more reason for developers to start or bring their standards work to OASIS," noted Laurent Liscia, OASIS CEO.

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About OASIS

OASIS is a not-for-profit, international consortium that drives the development, convergence and adoption of open standards for the global information society. OASIS promotes industry consensus and produces worldwide standards for security, privacy, cloud computing, content technologies, business transactions, energy, emergency management, and other areas. OASIS open standards offer the potential to lower cost, stimulate innovation, grow global markets, and protect the right of free choice of technology. OASIS members broadly represent the marketplace of public and private sector technology leaders, users, and influencers. The consortium has more than 5,000 participants representing over 600 organizations and individual members in 100 countries.

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