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By Alan J. Thiemann, Esq., ATP Counsel

The 2013 edition fully addresses “technology-based assessments” - assessments delivered and/or taken by computer, including so-called “online” assessments, as well as those that are cached or remotely handled. Read More.

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"Getting it Right" Author, Bob Athwa, to Address Annual E-ATP Conference in Malta
By Jake Vogt, ATP Writer

The European Division of the Association of Test Publishers (E-ATP) will host its fifth annual Growing Talent in Europe: Gaining Advantage Through Assessment conference, 25-27 September 2013 at the Westin Dragonara resort in St. Julian’s, Malta. The conference will feature keynote speaker Bob Athwal, Director of the Careers Service at the University of Leicester and co-author of Getting It Right, the first book in the UK aimed at graduate developers and recruiters. Read More.

India-ATP Launches Conference: Achieving Fairness in Testing

A Founders Committee forming up what promises to be a new Regional Division of ATP dedicated to testing and assessment issues in India is preparing to launch a conference in New Delhi, September 20, 2013. The Conference will take place at Habitat World, 15.45 - 19.30. Read More.

ATP/CCSSO Publication Cited in US GAO Report

In May the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) released the results of a 50-state survey focusing on what oversight and resources are in place at the state level aimed at addressing testing irregularities, security breaches and cheating by students and school officials. According to the report, in the past two years 40 states have detected potential cheating on standardized exams, with 32 of those states confirming at least one instance of cheating, and 32 state canceling or invalidating scores from individual students, schools or districts. Read More.

Testing in a Global Environment: A Discussion

With Industry Leaders

By Jake Vogt, ATP Writer

What will be the role of the test publishing industry in the emerging global community? With increased globalization, researchers and policy makers throughout the world are becoming more interested in employing testing methodologies to understand similarities and differences in human behavior, to assist in contributing to social goals, and to resolve societal issues. In November 2012, a panel of testing leaders met at a conference at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst to discuss a variety of topics. We followed up on one of those topics, International and Cross-Cultural Assessment, with some of the ATP members who participated in that panel. Read More.

ATP Board Nominations Being Accepted

The Association of Test Publishers (ATP) invites members to nominate individuals for the 2014 ATP Board of Directors. You must be a regular member in good standing to make a nomination. The Deadline for nominations is Monday, September 2, 2013. Read More.

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