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Great Technical Writing (http://www.docsymmetry.com/)
Internet Resources for Technical Communicators (http://www.soltys.ca/techcomm.html)
Society for Technical Communication (http://www.stc.org/)
Virginia Tech: Technical Writing: Resources for Teaching (http://writing.eng.vt.edu/handbook/)
Writing Revisable Manuals: Technical writing example
      http://www.techcommunicators.com/emanuals/wrm/index.htm)
Technical Editor's Eyrie (**http://www.jeanweber.com/**)

Professional Organizations
Association for Computer Machinery [SIGDOC] (**http://www.sigdoc.org/**)
    Special Interest Group on Design of Communication; Association for Computing Machinery

Association of Earth Science Editors [AESE] (http://www.aese.org/)
    An organization of editors, journal managers, and others concerned with publication in the earth sciences.

Association of Professional Communication Consultants [APCC] (http://www.consultingsuccess.org/)
    Supports communication consultants through newsletters, awards, listserv, annual workshops and conferences, membership directory, and surveys.

Association of Teachers of Technical Writing [ATTW] (http://www.attw.org/)
    Offers tutorial support for university courses and a mailing list (requires registration).

Council for Advancement of Science Writing [CASW] (http://casw.org/)

Group of distinguished journalists and scientists committed to improving the quality of science news reaching the general public.

Council of Science Editors [CSE] (http://www.councilscienceeditors.org/)
Improve communication in the sciences by educating authors, editors, and publishers through articles, l inks, resources, publications, and job bank.

European Association of Science Editors [EASE] (http://www.ease.org.uk/)
The European Association of Science Editors (EASE) is an internationally-oriented community of individuals from diverse backgrounds, linguistic traditions and professional experience who share an interest in science communication and editing.

IEEE Professional Communication Society (http://www.ieeepcs.org/)
PCS is an IEEE society composed of an international mix of engineers, researchers, educators, and practitioners who are dedicated to understanding and promoting effective communication in engineering, scientific, and other technical environments.

Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators [ISTC] (http://www.istc.org.uk/)
The UK professional association for technical communicators (technical authors, technical writers, technical illustrators) and information developers; also of interest to those working in associated jobs, such as translators.

International Society of Performance Improvement [ISPI] (http://www.ispi.org/)
Dedicated to improving productivity and performance in the workplace through human performance technology; supports members through conferences, workshops, chapter meetings, links and resources, awards, and networking

National Association of Government Communicators (http://www.nagc.com/)
Professional network of federal, state and local government employees who disseminate information within and outside government. Its members are editors, writers, graphic artists, video professionals, broadcasters, photographers, information specialists and agency spokespersons.

National Association of Science Writers (http://www.nasw.org/)
This organization fosters the dissemination of accurate information regarding science and technology and the interpretation of science and its meaning to society while promoting the professional interests of science writers.

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