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News

World's largest trade fair takes place in Amsterdam

This week, the ISSA/INTERCLEAN in Amsterdam (pictured right) has been taking place as the world's largest cleaning industry based trade show. An estimated 600 exhibitors from over 40 countries assembled in Amsterdam's RAI conference centre to showcase the latest technology and innovation in cleaning from all over the world.



Attendees were also allowed the opportunity to expand their professional acumen by attending the wide-ranging educational programme taking place. The focus of the sessions covered some of the most pressing issues currently affecting the cleaning industry; sustainability, hygiene as the watchword for pandemic prevention, and the impact of the global economic crisis on the cleaning industry. Interest in the show also bodes well for the British Cleaning Council's [Cleaning Show 2011](#)

Female public sector workers in landmark equality victory



More than 4,000 female public sector workers at Birmingham city council have won the right to be paid the same as their male counterparts, in a watershed ruling for British equality law. An employment tribunal found in favour of female workers employed in 49 different types of job, including sanitation workers and cleaners, who complained that they were being excluded from the bonuses available to men. During the hearing, the tribunal heard how a man doing the same pay-graded job as a woman could earn four times more than her.

Steve Wright, Chairman of the British Cleaning Council, said: "If a worker is judged to have the same skill level and productivity as their colleague, they should be paid the same regardless of their gender. The British Cleaning Council supports fair pay for the cleaning industries workers."

Diary

BACS Personal Care Group Open Meeting: York, 22nd June 2010

BACS have released details of a Personal Care Group/SCS/University led meeting in York. The theme for the event will be encouraging "Greener Chemistry for Personal Care": all interested parties should contact BACS directly via their [website](#).

BACHE Annual Conference: Keele University, 15-17th June 2010

BACHE's conference will take place this year at Keele University's Conference facilities, the event offering attendees the opportunity to network with other professionals from HE and FE institutions involved in Facilities Management and join in the professional development sessions taking place. A trade exhibition will also take place, giving delegates a chance to talk to the wide variety of suppliers expected to be present.

Details on how to attend can be obtained from BACHE's [website](#).

CIWM Futuresource Conference: London, 15th to 17th June 2010

CIWM are hosting their annual seminar & briefing session at Futuresource 2010, taking place at London's ExCeL Centre in June. The international conference and trade fair brings together like-minded professionals from across Europe each year and provides a forum for debating key issues, discussing best practice and sharing expertise and solutions.

Register to attend or become an exhibitor through CIWM's [website](#)

Keep Britain Tidy: 'Have Some Pride Campaign', June/July 2010

Keep Britain Tidy are aiming to tap into the surging patriotism during the world cup with their 'Have Some Pride' Campaign. As football fans across the country cheer on England in the World Cup, KBT will be releasing themed posters and car stickers so they can encourage supporters to show how much they care about England with by keeping their country beautiful. Details are available from their [website](#)