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# Industry News

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## New Ballestra bulletin

Ballestra, producers of equipment for the manufacture of soaps, detergents and fatty chemicals, has begun publication of a technical news bulletin. The first issue, published last year to mark Ballestra's 20th anniversary, describes the company's structure and its products; the second, published in 1981, deals with expansion of detergent plants, liquid detergent production, and production of methyl esters for surfactant use from natural fats and oils.

Persons interested in receiving the bulletin should write to Ballestra, Via Fantolie 21/17, 20138 Milan, Italy. □

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## Meetings

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### IFSCC announces election results

The International Federation of Societies of Cosmetic Chemists convened in Denmark on Sept. 20, 1981, for its annual council meeting, and elected Gunilla Linder-

Henelof of Scandinavia as president. Other 1981/82 officers include vice-president G. Aubin from France; treasurer W. Pilz from Germany; and hon. secretary W.E. Lange from the U.S.

The Austrian Society of Cosmetic Chemists became the IFSCC's 23rd affiliated society.

Proceedings of the annual Conference on International Cosmetic Regulations are available. Subscription forms may be requested from IFSCC, 56 Kingsway, London WC2B 6DX, England. □

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## Calendar

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### AOCS NATIONAL MEETINGS

Annual Meeting, 1982: May 2-6, Sheraton Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Annual Meeting, 1983: May 8-12, Chicago Marriott, Chicago, IL.

### 1982

The Soap and Detergent Association Industry Convention, Jan. 27-31, 1982, Boca Raton Hotel & Club, Boca Raton, FL.

International Symposium on Surfactants in Solution, June 27-July 2, 1982, University of Lund, Lund, Sweden. Contact: Dr. K.L. Mittal, Dept. 49F, Bldg. 300-40E, IBM Corp., Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. □

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**OFFICIAL ACTIVATED BLEACHING EARTH – 3¾ pound can / \$9.50**

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