


Glass, the hidden gem of a carbon-neutral future



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6PM ▶ 8PM
— followed by a walking dinner

 Hosted by the Representation of
the Free State of Bavaria to the EU
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- 18:00 **Admission and pre-reception**
- 18:30 **Welcome address**
Barbara Schretter, Director of the Representation of the Free State of Bavaria to the European Union
- 18:35 **Introduction to the session by the event moderator**
Jean-Paul Judson, Founder, NOWMORE
- 18:40 **Glass: Perspectives for an Industrial Future in Europe**
Maive Rute, Deputy Director-General, DG GROW, European Commission

18:50 Panel 1

Can glass enable a world without waste?

The EU's Circular Economy Action Plan aims to ensure that waste is prevented and the resources used are kept in the EU economy for as long as possible. How is the glass industry playing a leadership role towards sustainable production and consumption? What more needs to be achieved for glass to support the EU's transition to a circular economy, reducing pressure on natural resources and creating sustainable growth and jobs?

- **Joana Arreguy**, Industrial Director at Saint-Gobain Glass and President of Glass for Europe, the European flat glass association
- **Aurel Ciobanu-Dordea**, Director of Directorate ENV.B Circular Economy, DG Environment, European Commission
- **Xavier Ibled**, Innovation Director of Arc Group and President of EDG, European Domestic Glass association
- **Vitaliano Torno**, President of O-I Europe and President of FEVE – the European container glass federation

19:20 Panel 2

How to make Europe fit for sustainable living?

As part of the European Green Deal, with the European Climate Law, the EU has set itself a binding target of achieving climate neutrality by 2050. This requires current greenhouse gas emission levels to drop substantially in the next decades. As an intermediate step towards climate neutrality, the EU has raised its 2030 climate ambition, committing to cutting emissions by at least 55% by 2030. How is glass contributing to achieving this goal through the diversity of its applications? What policies are required to make full use of the potential of glass?

- **Bertrand Cazes**, Glass for Europe Secretary-General
- **Monika Hohlmeier**, MEP, EPP, Member of the Committee on Budgetary Control, European Parliament
- **Cédric Janssens**, GlassFibreEurope Secretary General
- **Anne-Katharina Weidenbach**, Cabinet Commissioner Kadri SIMSON (DG Energy) - specialist on energy efficiency

A video message by **Gunther Beger**, Managing Director, UNIDO will be played between the two panels.

- 19:50 **A roadmap for the decarbonisation of the glass industry**
Dr. Ing. Heinz Kaiser, Board Member, SCHOTT AG (Member of the European Special Glass Association)
- 20:05 **The Ways & Wonders of Glass: a video**
- 20:10 **Walking Dinner**



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