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glasstec 2016: Key players of the glass industry will again be there

Positive atmosphere in the glass industry is reflected by exhibitors' strong demand for stand bookings. Exhibitor database and Ticket Shop online as of now!

glasstec will also live up to its own claim of being the global No. 1 trade fair for the glass industry in 2016 again. April 2016 saw the leading international companies of the sector bindingly confirm their participation at glasstec. The number of registered exhibitors and, hence, occupied exhibition space already exceeds previous event's levels today. At glasstec 2014, 1.217 companies from glass machinery production, glass manufacturing and skilled crafts had occupied 60.601 square metres. 63% of them came from abroad to Düsseldorf. For over 40 years now glasstec has served as a trendsetter and reflection of the glass industry.

"The glass industry is undergoing changes and we consistently accompany it on this path. Technological developments determine the sector, new glass qualities are launched and open up new fields of application such as smart and touch functions. In 2016 glasstec will again cover the entire bandwidth of possibilities and innovations. We very much look forward to glasstec 2016," says Joachim Schäfer, Managing Director at Messe Düsseldorf.

Exhibitors capitalise on the international attendance of glasstec to expand their business relations. Marc Everling, Head of Communications at AGC Interpane, also expects this year's event to bring a further rise in the number of international visitors. "glasstec is

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the unrivalled trade fair highlight in 2016 for AGC Interpane and also provides an outstanding opportunity to present ourselves to an ever more international audience with innovative products and a new trade fair appearance. We look forward to a successful event.”

To allow optimum early preparation for a visit to the glasstec trade fair, the exhibitor database can already be searched online as of now and can be accessed at www.glasstec-online.com/2410. Furthermore, as from today you can purchase tickets for glasstec 2016 via the official Ticket Shop: www.glasstec/2330

glasstec 2016 has a comprehensive programme of special shows, events, congresses and information forums in store for visitors from all branches of this industry. This includes the highlight of the trade fair – the special show glass technology live.

glass technology live: highly topical – practice-oriented – trendsetting

Under the heading “Future – Glass – Performance” spectacular exhibits, innovative products and pioneering solutions for the coming 3 to 5 years will again be presented in Hall 11. The special show will also be organised again this year under the patronage of Prof. Stefan Behling, Senior Executive Partner at Foster & Partners in London, and by the team of the IBK 2 Institute for Building Construction of Stuttgart University.

This time the focus is on free-form, ultra-thin, solid and informative glass making the special show not only an inspiration for architects and planners in view of new application possibilities but also showcasing all the new applications for further developed glass products.

Exhibitors also appreciate the bandwidth of exhibited innovations and trends at glasstec 2016. "glasstec 2016 stands for state-of-the-art technologies and networked processes. For the Grenzebach Group it is the most important global trade fair and guaranteed to bring a personal “reunion” with most of our customers from around the globe,”



says Stefan Grenzebach, member of the management board at Grenzebach Group.

“glass technology live“ is accompanied by a high-calibre technical symposium which – embedded in the gtl exhibition area – offers a multitude of lectures on highly current topics. Admission is free for all visitors to the trade fair. International representatives from the fields of architecture, industry, glass-processing trades and science showcase the use of glass in their projects. Like the special show the Symposium also has its sights on the future of the glass industry. The agenda of the gtl Symposium addresses a different focal theme on each day of the trade fair from 20 to 23 September 2016:

- *Tuesday*: Melting and Forming
- *Wednesday*: Glass Processing + Finishing using New Technologies + Industry 4.0
- *Thursday*: Architecture + Digital Planning Processes
- *Friday*: Window + Façade

In addition to glass technology live and the accompanying symposium, glasstec 2016 also has other highlights in store. Its comprehensive line-up of side events comprises:

- The “Crafts Center” with the stand of BIV (German Federal Association of the Glazier Trade) and the glass finishing arena in Hall 9, the activity area “Crafts LIVE”, the car glazing competition as well as the “glass art” exhibition“.
- “Competence Center Glass + Façade” in the immediate vicinity of gtl (Hall 11).

The conference programme of glasstec consists of three target-group specific technical events:

- The new conference “Function meets Glass” shows the special processes and technologies for producing and finishing functional glass for smart, display, touch and solar applications already available on the market and illustrates which



innovations will open up new fields of business in future (19 – 20 September, CCD Süd/South).

- The scientific conference for structural glass engineering “engineered transparency” (20 – 21 September, CCD Süd(South))
- And the “International Architecture Congress” with visionary glass-architecture projects (22 September, CCD Ost/East).

A guided glass technology live tour conducted by the team of Stuttgart University is included in the ticket price with all technical conferences.

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