

Internationale Fachmesse

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with special show
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glasstec 2008: the course is charted

International trade fair and special show "glass technology live" to address "glass and energy" as a focal theme

Exhibitor invitations have been sent out thereby firing the official "starting pistol" for preparations for glasstec 2008. From 21 to 25 October 2008 the global glass industry will convene in Düsseldorf for the 20th time now to present the latest developments in the field. Be it glass producers, glass machinery manufacturers or the glazier trade – glasstec is the only international trade fair covering the entire value chain for glass with all its facets.

"Glass and energy" will be high on the agenda at the forthcoming glasstec. Worldwide reductions in CO₂ emissions and careful use of oil and gas resources are as pertinent issues as ever. And the demand for new, energy-efficient glass products and manufacturing technologies is correspondingly high. Companies from throughout the world are currently working 'flat out' on the development, optimisation and supply of the relevant products, their applications and the associated manufacturing technologies. Many solutions for "energy-efficient products and production" will be showcased at glasstec 2008. However, such "classic" subjects as laser technology, functional coatings, nano-technology, industrial glass and special glass will also leave a lasting mark on glasstec 2008. Innovative potential will be equally high in these sectors once the development of new applications and manufacturing processes for glass come into play.

Special show "glass technology live" on "glass & energy"

glasstec 2008 will once again host the Special Show "glass technology live" plus accompanying technical symposium to complement the versatile products and services exhibited by companies at glasstec



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2008. The motto of the Special Show will also be “glass & energy” tying in with the overriding trade fair theme of energy efficiency. Both the Special Show and the Symposium will look beyond products fit for mass production reaching out to innovations and visions of the glass sector for the future – both in technical and aesthetic terms. As part of this Symposium renowned speakers from leading institutes, associations, enterprises and architects’ offices will impart their knowledge elaborating on current and forward-looking subjects. Also in 2008 this unique 2-in-1 event will attract glass experts, machine manufacturers and suppliers as well as numerous architects, planners and users from all over the world.

Continuous education possibility for architects

In cooperation with North Rhine-Westphalia’s Chamber of Architects and the Technical University of Delft Messe Düsseldorf will be organising an architectural congress at glasstec 2008 for the second time in a row. The successful debut in 2006 showed that glasstec provides a perfect setting for a continuous education event of this kind. 2006 saw almost 500 architects attend the congress who then took the opportunity to visit glasstec. All information concerning the next Architectural Congress will shortly be posted on the Internet at the glasstec portal www.glasstec.de.

GlasArt displays works of art related to glass

Under the heading “GlasArt” glasstec 2008 will also provide an insight into the way artists handle glass materials. International artists will exhibit the complete spectrum of modern glass art ranging from glass vessels and sculpture-type objects to tinted glass.

At the latest glasstec in October 2006 more than 1,250 companies, associations and research institutes from 46 countries were presented.



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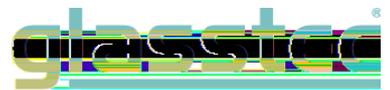
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Over 54,000 trade visitors from throughout the world gathered information at the Düsseldorf exhibition halls. 98% of these visitors rated the trade fair as very positive voicing their satisfaction with the visit. No other glass trade fair in the world can pride itself on such high approval and acceptance levels.

For further information on glasstec 2008 visit www.glasstec.de.

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