Le verre : certains de nos défis pour 2023



Le Verre: d'hier à demain IPGP 25/11/2022

International Year of Glass

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Your Dreams, Our Challenge

April 2022



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AGC group : who are we





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AGC Group



- 3 main business segments:
 - Glass
 - Electronics
 - Chemicals
- Sales: € 13.068 billion*
- 56,000 employees*
- 206 companies in over 30 countries
- Listed in Derwent Top 100 Global Innovator™ 2021
- Headquarters and stock exchange listing: Tokyo

* end 2021



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- 2 business segments:
 - Architectural glass
 - Automotive glass
- Over 100 sites throughout Europe
- R&D Centre and Headquarters in Belgium
- Worldwide sales network
- 1 car out of 4 glazed by AGC
- Nearly 1 building out of 4 with AGC coated glass
- 15,200 people
- € 2.4 bn sales (2021)

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Our windows of tomorrow : Low carbon glass





AGC roadmap to carbon neutrality



Reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions by 30% by 2030*

*Scope 1 + 2 compared to 2019 Scope 3 compared to 2019

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 Image: Comparison of the sector of



Continuously improving our carbon footprint





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An integrated value chain approach



To produce Low-Carbon glass, AGC takes a holistic approach:



Sustainable sourcing of raw materials









for finishing process



for finished products

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1. Sustainable sourcing of raw materials



Soda ash

• Selecting low-carbon soda ash, as soda ash is highest carbon contributor in raw materials

Sand

- Local sands
- Minimal treatment
- Transported mostly by barges or with trucks using bio diesel

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2. Highly efficient melting furnaces



Optimised furnaces

- Top class energy-efficient furnaces
- Using electro-boosting technology

What is electro-boosting?

Electrodes using electricity to melt the sand, to reduce dependence on imported natural gas.



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PRINCIPLE

- Molten glass (>1200°C) = Electrical conductor
- Direct heat dissipation by electric currents flowing between immersed electrodes in the glass bath (Joule effect)



 Energy efficiency much higher than combustion Combustion Electricity

55-60% >90%





3. Increased use of cullet



Low-carbon glass:

More than half of the raw glass material is recycled glass

Local eco-system

- Numerous processors
- Long-standing customers
- Subsidiaries of the group

What is glass cullet? Recycled glass, crushed and processed to be ready for remelting.



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4. Use of green energy sources



On-site renewable and green electricity generation

- Cogeneration plant (electricity + heat) to complete existing photovoltaic production
- Heat from glass melting will be soon valorised into electricity with additional photovoltaic production

Off-site electricity supply

• Purchase of renewable electricity





Transport optimisation for finishing process

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5. Transport optimisation for finishing process



Internal logistics to minimise glass transport

MOUSTIER plant (Belgium)

- Float glass line
- Production of laminated glass on site
- Coating possibilities in Lodelinsart

SEINGBOUSE (Alsace France)

- Float glass line
- Production of laminated glass on site
- Production of soft coatings on site



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AGC Low-Carbon range



Identical product...

• Same aesthetics, quality and performances as traditional float glass

... with a reduced carbon footprint

- < 7 Kg/m² for a 4 mm float glass (reduction by >40% for float, under evaluation for other products)
- 40% = Huge CO2 Emission Decrease



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Autonomus cars need special glass : Wideye



Lidar is a kind of Radar working in the near Infra red wave length 850 – 1050 nm & 1550 nm





Near Infra red transmission in glass is key

Main absorber in IR \downarrow $Cr^{6+} + 3Fe^{2+} \rightarrow Cr^{3+} + 3Fe^{3+}$ \uparrow Coloring in visible



GLASS SOLUTIONS FOR 360° SENSOR INTEGRATION



How does Wideye develop glass solutions that overcome the challenges of sensor integration?

Maximize sensor performance	With a reliable and resistant product	While allowing for an aesthetically and pleasing solution
Sensor performance Integration position Optical quality	Reliability Sensor protection Thermal management	Car styling Seamless design

WIDEYE

Glass solutions for smart, safe and robust ADAS sensor

Optical sensor covers

Sensor cover for LiDAR & Camera integration: Front, Rear, Side





Glass trim

2D or 3D shaped **glass trim for seamless integration:** B-pillar, Fender, Grille, Roof,...









Vision glazing

Integration of LiDAR & Camera sensors using existing glass parts: Windshield, Backlite, Sidelite



Thin glass inside our futur cars : FeelInGlass[®], in-vehicle glass interface

Yes, **it is glass**. And it is suitable for mobility interiors.

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Thin glass inside our futur cars : Feel In Glass



We believe in the development of glass surfaces that are **more durable than plastic,** offering **greater rigidity for less material**, and many **other benefits**.





Thin glass is part of our daily lives with our **connected devices**. It is becoming a **natural interface**.

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> Glass is a material capable of handling several surface treatments. Our team has developed a significant expertise in this area.

> Our solutions range from **anti-glare** (acid etching), easy-to-clean, anti-fingerprint and anti-reflective coatings, each being layered specifically on-demand.



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Approach to safety & durability



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Glazing module Opening up possibilities of integration



with a module approach



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Glass is key to solve many of our challenges of tomorrow : * sensor protection for autonomous cars * decorative & interactive interior cars * insulate our houses (new windows = Fineo)

But we need to improve our global production impact on environment the first step is done with our low carbon glass and we work hard to prepare the next steps that will come soon.





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Electricity & CO₂ Context in Europe



Continuous decrease of Electricity CO₂ intensity



Electricity generation GHG emission intensity