



The 45th ASEAN Glass Conference was staged in Nha Trang, Vietnam.

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With *Glass Worldwide* as official journal, leading personalities from South East Asia's regional glass communities came together in September to meet their peers and international suppliers at the ASEAN Glass Conference staged by the Vietnam Glass Association (Vieglass) in the picturesque city of Nha Trang, Vietnam.

Following a golf tournament and cocktail reception, Harris Hendraka (AFGM Chairman), Nguyễn Huy Thắng (Organising Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman/ Secretary General of Vieglass) and Vu Thi Hoai Thu (keynote speaker from the National Economics University) addressed over 300 delegates from 26 countries at a grand welcome ceremony to open the 45th ASEAN [Association of Southeast Asian Nations] Glass Conference in Nha Trang, Vietnam.

lasting and upgradable measuring machines' (ESOMATEC).

- Hydrogen combustion in the glass industry – hydrogen carbon free (CF) burner' (FlammaTec).
- 'Saving weight – saving energy with Heye smart solutions' (Heye International).
- 'Sustainable glass melting technology – the future of electric power' (HORN Glass Industries).
- 'Our Net Zero Future' (TIAMA).



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Technical presentations

Adopting the conference's 'Our Net Zero Future' theme, industry experts delivered a full day of technical presentations, including:

- 'Initiative for Melting Technology Towards Net Zero Carbon Emission' (AGC Ceramics).
- 'Next Generation of Measurement Machines illustrated by the Gawis4Glass' (Agr Bangkok).
- 'Cut CO₂ Emissions at Glass Container Forming Process' (Bucher Emhart Glass).
- 'Glass and Light – Reduction of CO₂ by high dynamic wall thickness measurement in



Vieglass dignitaries with representatives from fellow AFGM member associations.



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11 technical presentations were delivered by industry experts.



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- 'Intelligent inspection: Optimising waste while reducing carbon footprint!' (IRIS Inspection machines).
- 'How glass manufacturing/ processing head towards no emissions' (SORG).
- 'Double digit savings with new batch and cullet technologies' (ZIPPE).

Complementing the technical sessions, attendees also benefited from Business Connect sessions as well as a social programme that facilitated further networking and collaboration.

Sponsors

In addition to *Glass Worldwide*, sponsors of the event included: AGC, Agr, Antonini, Bottero, Bucher Automation, Bucher Emhart Glass, Electroglass, Esomatic, F.I.C., Fives, Flammatec, Forglass, Glass Service, GRT Groupe Rondot Thailand, Heat Applications, Heye International, HORN Glass Industries, Hotwork International, Ihara Furnace Co, IRIS Inspection machines, Jianhua Mould, Jinggong Mould, Ori Mould, Tiama, Vertech, Viglacera, Vietnam Float Glass, VS Glass and ZIPPE Industrieanlagen.

Organisers

Vieglass is a member of the ASEAN Federation of Glass Manufacturers (AFGM), now in its 47th year as a regional industry association composed of glass manufacturers in South East Asia. Fellow member associations include the Indonesian Glass Manufacturers Association (IGMA), Glass Manufacturers Association of Malaysia (GMAM), Glass Manufacturers' Association of the Philippines (GMAPI) and the Glass Manufacturers Industry Club and the Federation of Thai Industries (GMFTI).

The AFGM also staged a plenary session in Nha Trang for members, using the occasion to announce that Jonathan C. Aquino of GMAPI has been elected as Chairman for the next two years, succeeding Harris Hendraka from IGMA, and that the 46th ASEAN Glass Conference will be hosted in Indonesia later in 2024 (dates and location to follow). ●

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