

Glass Trend Spring Seminar 2020: Innovative raw materials and processing technologies for sustainable glass production

Reduction of both the energy consumption and CO₂ footprint whilst increasing production efficiency are key challenges for the glass industry. From Tuesday March 31st to Thursday April 2nd 2020, the Glass Trend seminar will focus on how innovative raw materials and processing technologies can help the glass industry progress towards a more sustainable manufacturing process.

Knowledgeable glassmakers, raw materials producers and process engineers from all horizons are invited to give us insight in their latest innovations and to illustrate the positive impact of raw materials and processing technologies on glass production. 3 main themes will be covered: Innovative raw materials, recycling technologies and new processing of raw materials.

The seminar will be hosted by Sibelco and take place at 't Kristallijn, in Mol, Belgium. This building is situated on a reclaimed quarry reintegrated in the landscape as an illustration of the balance between exploitation and sustainability.

Rooms will be pre-booked at the Corby Lommel City and Corby Lommel Ring hotels. Please note that reservations must be made by the participants themselves. Shuttle transfer will be organized from major airports to the hotels and 't Kristallijn.

Participants are welcome to join Tuesday evening (March 31st) for a reception at the Lommel City hotel. Lectures will take place from Wednesday morning to Thursday. Wednesday afternoon, participants will be taken on a field trip to visit Sibelco glass lab, pilot plant and quarries. Wednesday dinner will be offered by Sibelco and demonstrate the historical Belgian patrimony. Thursday afternoon, participants have the possibility to visit the High 5 glass recycling facility in Antwerp. This tour will be organized on request, for a limited number of participants (50 max).

Registration to the seminar is limited to 100 people. Each GlassTrend member company may send 2 people to the seminar free of charge.

