

A perspective from Brussels

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500

glass manufacturing
plants

500,000

jobs along
the value chain

25

European countries with
glass production

40 million

tonnes of glass
produced annually

A changing atmosphere

- Greater awareness of the difficulties facing industry
- European Industry Summit in Antwerp
 - European and national leaders present
 - FEVE represented by Michel Giannuzzi
- Main messages ahead of a summit were 1. reduce energy and carbon costs, 2. cut red tape, and 3 reduce fragmentation



What we're getting

- Industrial Accelerator Act - Accelerated permitting for industrial projects, lead markets for European-made goods, and conditionalities on foreign investment
- Grids Package - Faster buildout of greater grid capacity
- Greater awareness on need for simple implementation on PPWR packaging minimisation requirements
- Post-2030 EU ETS proposal – dedicated national and European-level funds using ETS revenues for industrial decarbonisation investments

What remains to be achieved

- Unconditional, accessible free allocations for the post-2030 EU ETS to keep carbon costs down and remain in business
- Upcoming revision of the rules governing network tariffs which does not impose an undue burden on our industry
- Faster trade defense measures at the EU-level to counteract foreign overcapacity
- Additional financial support instruments for industry and changes to existing ones so that they acknowledge the reality of the glass sector and do indeed finance our projects
- Realistic and pragmatic implementation of packaging waste and minimisation regulations

We need YOU

- People in Brussels normally listen to trade associations, but they **WILL** listen more attentively to:
 - National officials
 - CEOs from companies
- Those closer to the business can deliver a genuine, authentic message which breaks through