

#01 Press Release

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GIMAV AT CHINA GLASS 2021

Italy's foremost glass processing technologies center stage in Shanghai

May 6th to 9th 2021, the Shanghai New International Expo Centre (SNIEC) will be the setting for the latest edition of **China Glass**, the **Asian glass industry trade show** for the flat and hollow glass machines and accessories and processed products industry.

Now in its **31st edition**, the show traditionally takes place in odd-numbered years in Beijing and is held in even-numbered years in Shanghai. However, because the 2020 edition was postponed due to the global pandemic, in 2021 Shanghai became the designated location for two years in a row.

"Each year, GIMAV, in partnership with ITA (Italian Trade Agency), offers participation to its member companies," remarked **GIMAV Director, Fabrizio Cattaneo**. "The participation of Italian companies, a high-quality presence, sends a powerful message to the international community, **asserting the significance of the industry's Made in Italy products**. Despite a lackluster year due to the Covid crisis, the Asian market remains one of the strategic business partners for Italy's glass industry, especially for hollow glass. In 2020, it was still the export destination for glass technologies to the tune of almost 60 million euro. Participating in an event like China Glass, one-on-one with existing and potential clients, is a valuable opportunity to strengthen existing relationships and build new ones with local businesses."

GIMAV will be on hand with VITRUM and ITA with an institutional area (**N1-159**) that will offer, among other things, informative and promotional materials on the latest innovations at the "Salone del Vetro" from October 5th to 8th in Milan.

Specifically, it will promote **Glass Week**, four days of events in Milan dedicated to glass and sustainability; **VITRUM Life**, the new portal that keeps the spotlight shining on the show year-round, with news from exhibitors and interesting facts about the world of glass; and the **Glass Is... The Qualities of Glass** project, that extolls and showcases the unique characteristics of glass attributable to the many special properties of the technologies that make its production possible.

GIMAV MEMBERS AT CHINA GLASS 2021

Ten member companies are participating in China Glass – between direct exhibitors and group participants – in a total area of about **360m²**. Following are brief preview presentations from the Italian companies exhibiting at China Glass.

BDF INDUSTRIES S.p.A. (stand N1-136)

BDF Industries is the perfect partner to guarantee reliable, professional support for all **hollow-glass production technologies**. For more than 50 years, the company has engineered ultra-high-level components to meet glass industry needs. And now, thanks to its vast experience and constant focus on the needs of its customers, BDF Industries designs and manufactures **technologically state-of-the-art IS machines, melting furnaces and spare parts**, and provides **high-level technical support**. In addition, the company's portfolio includes various solutions for **exhaust gas energy recovery, pollution abatement** and a **cutting-edge industrial automation department**, recognized as one of the top-four largest suppliers of engineering solutions and equipment around the world. You will find BDF Industries at China Glass, in stand N1-136.

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INTERMAC S.p.A. (stand N1-219)

Intermac's Industry 4.0 experience will be on display at China Glass with **cutting-edge solutions** that have consistently served as the standard for innovation in glass processing operations. In order to strengthen its business presence, flexibility and understanding of customer needs and support, Intermac will showcase its hallmark technological expertise at Shanghai. Located in – **HALL 1, STAND 219** – it will focus on the two icons that best represent Intermac and Italian excellence: the **Master 33.5 machining center** and the **GENIUS 37 CT-Red cutting table**. The Master 33.5 is a machining center for processing glass typically used in the furniture, automotive, construction and household appliance manufacturing sectors. It is the ideal solution in terms of performance and productivity, suitable for high-speed processing of small and large production batches. Its legendary GENIUS 37 CT-Red glass cutting technology is a high-performance cutting table for float glass that is perfectly capable of working on cutting lines over two or three shifts.

ELETTROMECCANICA BOVONE S.r.l. (stand N1-139)

Bovone is the gold standard in the glass industry when it comes to **quality and innovation**. Its vast product line includes both stand-alone machines, such as **straightline edgers, bevellers and washing machines** as well as complete systems, such as **laminated glass lines, silvering lines and robotic integrated systems for loading and unloading edgers and bevellers**. Bovone agents at China Glass are fully prepared to advise customers about the broad spectrum of solutions available for all their needs.

C.M.S. S.p.A. (stand N1-123)

CMS Glass Technology will take part in China Glass 2021 (Booth N1-123). A leader in the field of **curved and flat glass processing**, CMS manufactures technologically advanced solutions, such as **CNC machining centers, cutting tables, and water-jet cutting systems**. Thanks to its deep-rooted knowledge and expertise, today CMS Glass Technology is a highly respected player in this sector for the manufacture of innovative solutions dedicated to architecture and interior decoration.

HELIOS ITALQUARTZ S.r.l. (stand N1-129)

Even in this challenging year, **Helios Quartz** will be present at CHINA GLASS to showcase its quality solutions with infrared and UV technology for the glass industry. Among the highlights this year are its **FULLY AUTOMATIC COMPACT VERSION TIN SIDE DETECTOR**, that helps ensure – directly on the production line – that processing is done on the “air side” of glass sheets and the **MEDIUM WAVE FAST RESPONSE** and **MEDIUM WAVE MEDIUM RESPONSE infrared lamps**, complete solutions to improve screen-printing and digital printing on glass.

ITALCARRELLI S.p.A. (stand N1-131)

ITALCARRELLI® is a world leader in the design and manufacture of **specialty machines and solutions for merchandise storage and handling**. Thanks to its many years of experience in the glass industry, the company has acquired remarkable knowledge in this field and, by **investing in research into innovative solutions**, it provides its products to the leading glass manufacturers and processors around the world. Visitors to the company stand at China Glass will receive information on the product range: **platform transporters, inloader transporters, multidirectional side-loaders, special equipment for glass handling** and **trucks for glass handling inside closed top containers**.

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NEPTUN S.r.l. (stand N1-130)

NEPTUN S.r.l. produces **3 completely innovative product lines covered by numerous patents.**

The **straightline edging machines, vertical and horizontal washing machines and vertical NCs for drilling/grinding** offer a wide range of solutions and can be fully integrated, thanks to the range of **anthropomorphic 'Bravo' series glass handlers.**

Neptun machines are at work in the top-rated glass factories in the world. The company will participate in China Glass to provide visitors with all the information they need.

OLIVOTTO GLASS TECHNOLOGIES S.p.A. (stand N1-122)

Olivotto Glass Technologies (OGT) has been a major player **in the field of hollow glass** since 1946.

Research, innovation and ongoing technological development have enabled the company to maintain market leadership in its primary sector, becoming the largest supplier of **machines, systems and solutions for hollow glass**, as well as achieving excellence in **pharma packaging**, thanks to its tubing lines for neutral glass tube production.

Moreover, during the last decade OGT has developed, engineered and manufactured **complete plants and equipment for the production of glass and rock wool** and, more recently, **equipment and assembly lines for PV-modules** as well.

OGT will be present at China Glass 2021.

PNEUMOFOR S.p.A. (stand N1-138)

As a leading supplier of **vacuum and compressed air systems** for glass production, at China Glass 2021 Pneumofore will introduce its latest innovations for the glass industry with a focus on the **air-cooled UV Series vacuum pumps**, designed to fit the specific centralized vacuum needs of glass manufacturing, and its **A Series air compressors**, with up to 630 kW and pressures from 2.5 to 10 bar(g). The company develops and manufactures rotary vane machines that deliver **high reliability and durability over decades, outstanding energy savings and the lowest life cycle cost** in the market.

STAR S.r.l. (stand N1-137)

With more than 40 years of experience in developing technological and process innovations, STAR is recognized as a global leader in **technologies and solutions for the automotive glass industry**, and it will exhibit at China Glass 2021.

STAR designs and manufactures **customized turnkey systems** that cater to the specific needs of its customers.

The company's highly skilled in-house staff provide processing **solutions for the production of both laminated and tempered automotive glass, for the cold end of float glass production and for the ceramic glass industry.**