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# Evolution of thermal performance of glazing units

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- About Glass for Europe
- The objectives of the EU and the current situation
- Two studies:
  - Low-E Insulating Glass for Energy Efficient Buildings
  - Solar Control Glass for Greater Energy Efficiency
- Vacuum technology
- Conclusion







- 4 members and 1associate = 90% of the EU production
- Flat glass:
  - Primarily building, automotive & transport
  - Also furnitures, solar panels, electronics, appliances
- Partner of CPIV
- Campaign associate of the EU Sustainable Energy Europe campaign







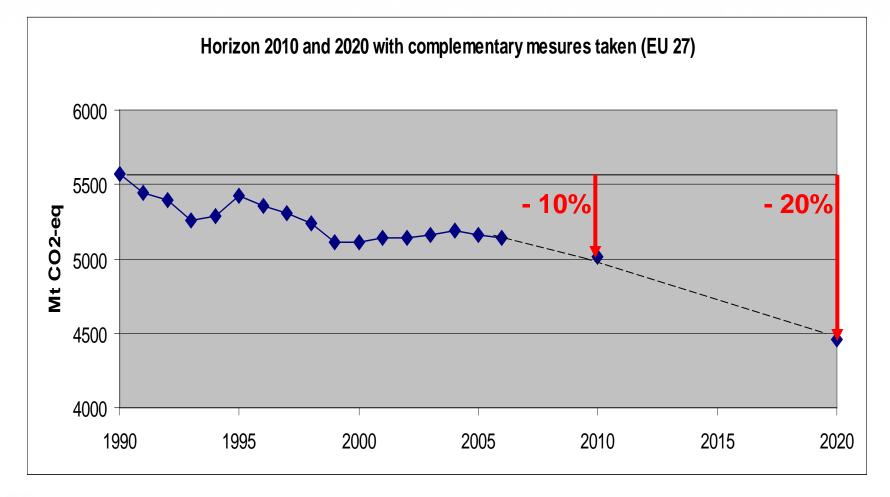


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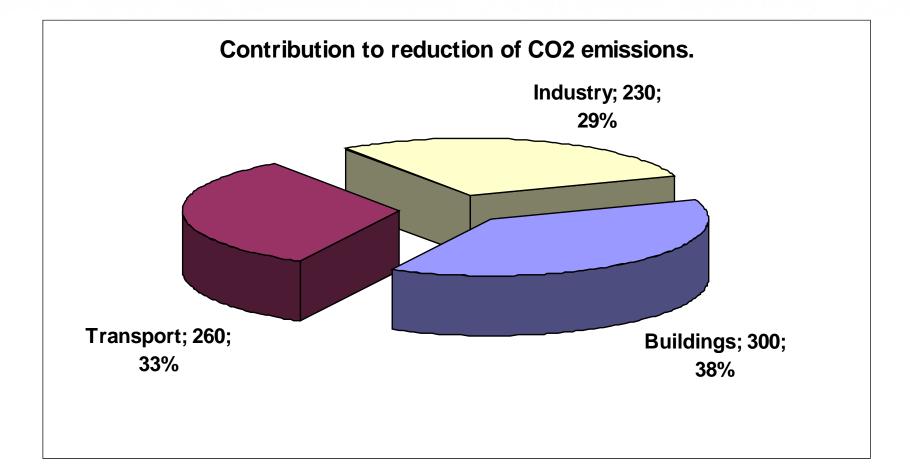


## Reduction of CO-emissions for horizon 2010 and 2020













#### "Low-E" Glass

- To reduce the energy demand in buildings (especially heating).
- 2 scenarios
- U = 1,1 (DGU) 0,7 (TGU)
- "Solar Control" Glass
  - To reduce the need for airconditioning.
  - 4 scenarios
  - SF = 40 (N. Europe) 35 (S. Europe)



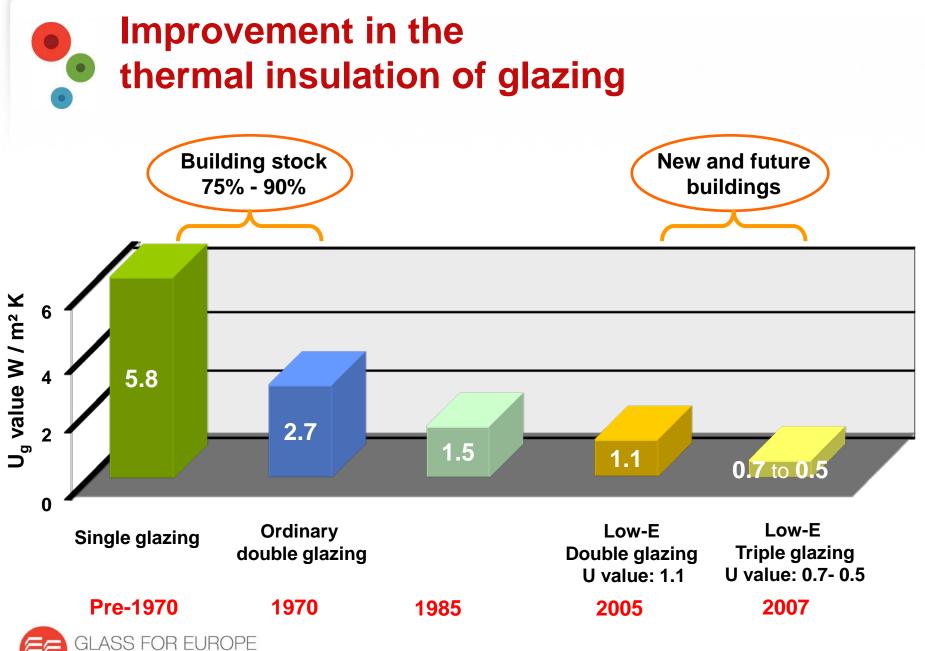




- Improved insulation by
  - gas filled spacer (convection)
  - Low-E coating (radiation)
- U-values variation
  - 1,3-1,0 W/m<sup>2</sup>K (DGU)
  - 0,9 0,5 W/m<sup>2</sup>K (TGU)
- Keeps the cold out and the heat in, but doesn't block solar heat!







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- Same improved insulation is possible as Low-E
- LT/SF range
  - 70/40 (eg. Residential)
  - 60/35 (eg. Buildings)
  - 50/28 (eg. Large buildings)
  - 40/21 (eg. Roofs)
- Even lower SF possible, but by using coloured or enameled glass



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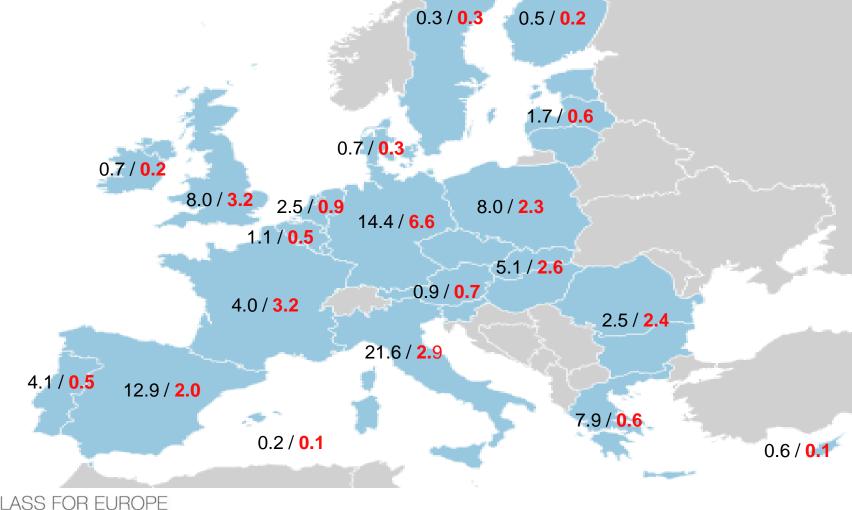
#### Low-E

- 1) 90,1 Mt/y (30,4% of EU)
- 2) 96,6 Mt/y (32,2% of EU)
- Solar Control
  - 1) 4,6 Mt/y (1,5% of EU)
  - 2) 6,8 Mt/y (2,3% of EU)
  - 3) 16,6 Mt/y (5,5% of EU)
  - 4) 86,0 Mt/y (28,7% of EU)
- TOTAL
  - 94,6 to 182,6 Mt/y (31,6% to 60,9% of 300 Mt/y for EU)

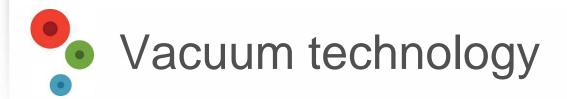




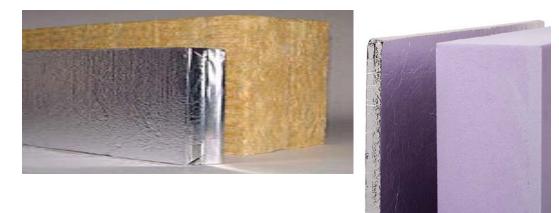
# Results per region (% per year in 2020) for Low-E (scenario 2) / Solar (scenario 4)



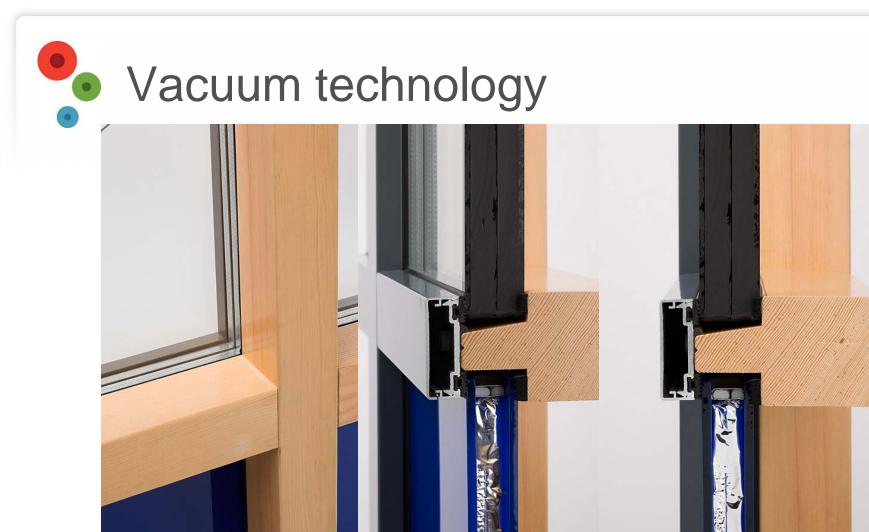
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- Replacing gas filled spacer by a very thin vacuum layer further increases thermal insulation
- Exists for both vision parts and spandrels
- Allows much thinner compositions than with classic insulation









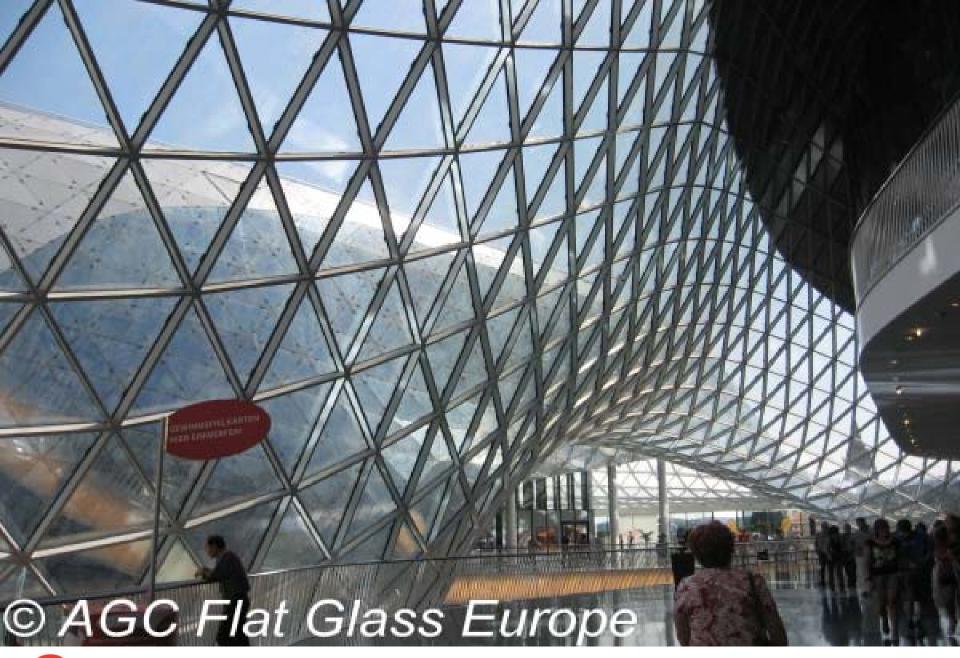
### Conclusion

- The use of today's high-tech glass provides a "win-win-win" scenario:
  - Using existing products and conventional building types: ...products...
  - Keeping building occupants comfortable and productive
  - Reducing unnecessary CO<sub>2</sub> emissions: ...xxx t...
  - Reducing energy needs and cutting costs

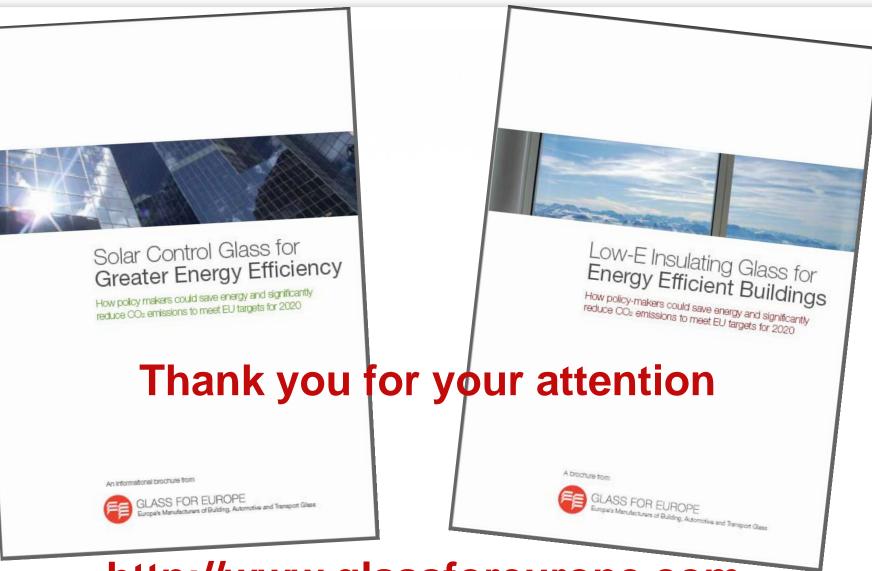












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