



Associazione Italiana Fornitori Macchine ed Accessori per la Lavorazione del Vetro

To the attention of:
Prof. Alicia Durán
President of ICG – International Commission on Glass
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28049 MADRID (Spain)

Milan, February 24th 2020

Re: Letter of support for Application to the UN for an International Year of Glass

Dear Ms. Durán,

As President of GIMAV, the Association of Italian manufacturers and suppliers of machinery, equipment and special products for glass processing, I would like to express my enthusiastic support of the Application to the UN to declare 2022 the International Year of Glass.

Set up in 1980 by a small group of businessmen, Gimav plays a fundamental role in the entire glass industry both nationally and internationally.

As a member of Confindustria and Federmacchine, during its 40 years of activity, GIMAV has considerably strengthened its representative presence in the entire glass processing industry and now plays an indispensable role in relations with all private and public institutions.

Furthermore, GIMAV is, together with Vitrum, the main supporter of the Community of Glass Associations, whose mission is to provide the international Associations representing the world of glass with a meeting place and a tangible means of promoting constructive cooperation among its members.

In this regard, we strongly support the proposal to institute a UN Year of Glass in 2022, which we consider an incredible opportunity to strengthen and broaden cooperation among international glass Associations, the fundamental actors in helping to raise global awareness of the importance of the entire glass productive-chain for an eco-sustainable society at large, its contribution to the economy and to technology, culture and art.

In conclusion, for all the reasons mentioned above, we strongly believe that glass will be one of the main building blocks for a better future and that its importance is worthy of an International Year of Glass in 2022.

Moreover, I would like to personally thank the International Commission on Glass (ICG) and the Glass Art Society for putting all their efforts and professionalism into this project.

Kindest regards,

Michele GUSTI
(GIMAV President)

