

Glass Alliance Europe statement on
The 2030 Climate and Energy Package and Industrial Renaissance

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Following the publication of the EU 2030 climate and energy package and ad-hoc communications on January 22nd, Glass Alliance Europe welcomes the Commission's announcement to keep the same methodology to assess the exposure to carbon leakage of sectors under the EU ETS up to 2020. However, Glass Alliance Europe is deeply concerned that the 2030 GHG emission objective for the industrial sector covered by the EU ETS (-43%) is disconnected from their actual emission reduction potential on the basis of best available technologies.

Against this backdrop, Glass Alliance Europe wishes to highlight **the urgent need to reconcile the EU climate, energy and industrial policies** as this is the basis to ensure the re-industrialization of Europe and secure the competitiveness of our industry.

To that end, Glass Alliance Europe urges Member states to call on the Commission:

- ✓ **To set a binding re-industrialisation target to increase the share of industry in the EU GDP from 16% to 20% by 2020**, in order to send a clear political signal of support to European industry. Indeed, since the crisis started, it is estimated that 3 million industrial jobs were lost, and that EU industrial production has decreased by more than 10%. There is therefore an urgent need to support industry.
- ✓ **To re-evaluate the GHG emission reduction effort-sharing between ETS and non-ETS sectors for 2030**. In particular, Glass Alliance Europe calls for a lower target on ETS sectors, which would reflect the industry's cost-effective emission reduction potential. Such realistic reduction efforts for industrial sectors could be easily compensated by additional emission reduction efforts in the non-ETS sectors, such as building and transports, which can be major drivers of economic and industrial growth.
- ✓ **To confirm exposure to carbon leakage for glass industries up to 2020 and beyond**. Although a positive statement was issued on January 22nd 2014, the publication of the final list of industries recognised as exposed to risks of carbon leakage is still pending. In order to secure future and planned long-term investments, it is also vital to deliver as early as possible a strong signal that carbon leakage protection measures will be maintained beyond 2020.
- ✓ **To design a mechanism ensuring that industries exposed to risks of carbon leakage receive CO₂ allowances that are in line with their cost-effective CO₂ emissions reduction potential**. As long as non-EU competitors are not facing comparable efforts, best performing plants in the EU should receive enough free allocation to cover their actual production.