

## **GPD Finland Brief Introduction**

**#GPD2019** ALL EYES ON SMARTER GLASS GLASS PERFORMANCE DAYS 2019 JUNE 26-28, 2019, TAMPERE, FINLAND



# GPD In Brief

Glass Performance Days (GPD) is an independent forum dedicated to the development of the global glass industry through education.

- This is done by organizing conferences in different countries. Currently the conferences are organized in Finland, China and Brazil every two years.
- In Finland, GPD also organizes Workshops and a glass exhibition.

GPD addresses the entire glass industry supply chain:

- from researchers to architects, designers, glass producers, processors, equipment providers, industry start-ups, universities and end-users.
- this objective is met by providing, sharing, collecting and distributing current and future-oriented information on glass as versatile, safe and competitive material

# **GPD** Targets

- Collect and distribute information for developing and educating the glass industry
- Find new uses for glass
  - Promote energy efficiency glass technology
- Provide a starting point for future innovations and their commercialization
  - Collaboration with industry startups via Step-Change program
- Create co-operation networks between architects, designers, research institutes, universities and the glass, façade, window, solar and consumer electronic industries
- Provide a platform for face-to-face interaction
- Be a leading source of technical glass information





# GPD Speakers and Attendees profiles



# Who speaks in and attends GPD Events:

- Glass manufacturers and processors
- Architects / designers
- Automotive designers
- Glass researchers and specialists
- Window makers & glaziers
- Industry Startups
- Universities
- Façade designers and builders
- Renewable energy Industry





# **GPD** Finland Participant History

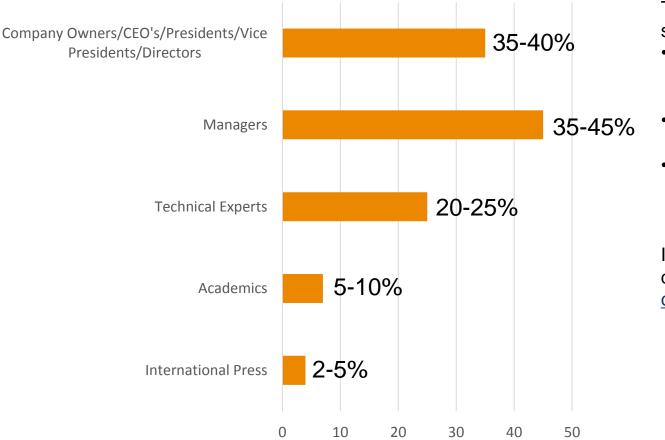


- Since 1992
  - Over 12 000 participants in GPD events worldwide since 1992
  - Over 1 000 speakers
  - Over 10 000 pages of technical papers published



# **Participant Seniority Profiles**

## Participant Profiles History



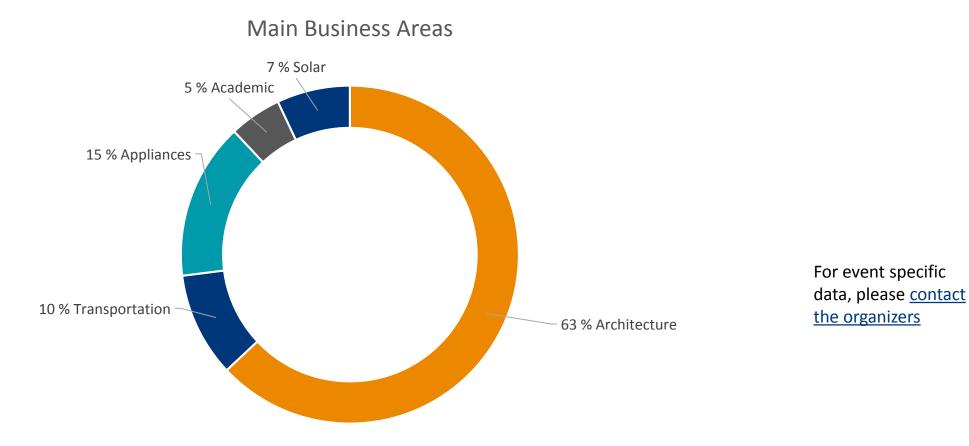
This image shows the attendee seniority levels per event i.e.

- 35 40% of attendees in most GPD events are in Top Management Positions
- 30 45% of attendees are Managers.
- It is for this reason that this is referred to as a decision makers forum

If you are interested in profile data for a specific event, please <u>contact the organizers</u>.

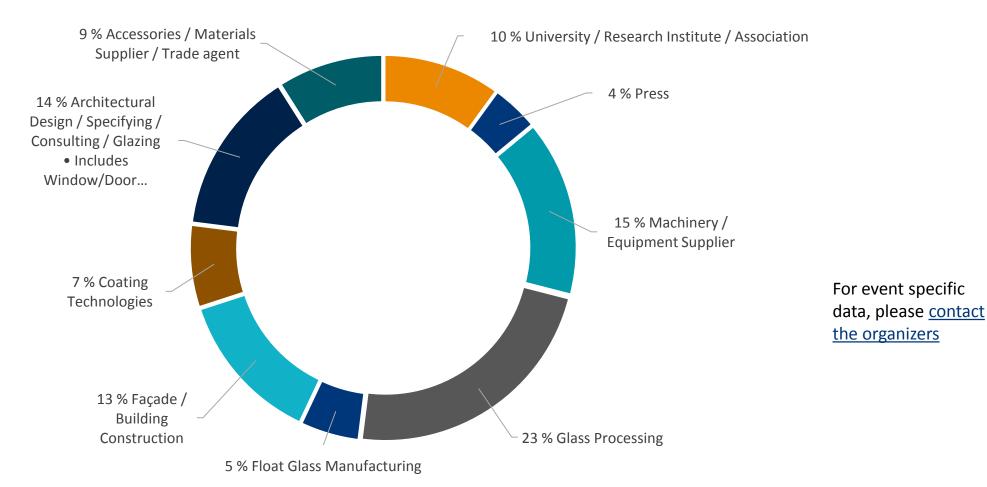


# Participant Main Business Area





# **Participant Company Activities**

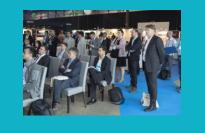




# **GPD** Finland Program Structure



## Workshops



Wednesday – Friday

Conference Sessions Exhibition Business Networking activities





Social networking activities



# **GPD** Finland Workshops

- intensive 4-8 -hour courses with each focusing on techniques and skills in a particular field
- main emphasis on interaction and exchange of information among relatively small groups
  - e.g. 5-15 participants for practical workshops and 20-50 persons for theoretical workshops.





# **GPD** Finland Conference sessions

- 2-3 days with 5-6 parallel sessions / day covering this main topics:
  - Glass in architecture
  - Glass processing
  - Solar glass
  - All Vehicles glass
  - Future trends and opportunities for the glass industry
- approx. 12 technical presentations / session (20-30 min. each)

# **GPD** Finland Exhibition

- Conference exhibition organized in the conference venue
  - Exhibitor types
    - Glass industry companies
    - Startup companies
    - Glass industry media and associations
    - Research and academic institutions
  - Caters only for the conference participants
- It is suitable for
  - building business partnerships (and not really sales)
  - product promotions through various marketing materials.
    - Small machinery and glass products are suitable for display due to space limitations.







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# **Networking Activities**

- Business networking activities
  - organized during coffee and lunch breaks
  - they include:
    - group lunches e.g. CEO lunch
    - one to one meetings booked in advance through a meeting manager tool
- Social networking activities
  - organized during the evenings
  - they include:
    - Get together gathering
    - Conference Dinner
    - Farewell gathering







# **GPD** Opening and Plenary Speakers

- more than just industry experts but leaders that can:
  - share the wisdom of past experiences and advise
  - analyze current industry trends and inform
  - envision the future and inspire
- some of them include:
  - Mr. Russel J. Ebeid, former president of Guardian Glass Group (GPD Finland 2001, 2007, 2011)
  - Mr. Bruce J. Oreck, Ambassador of USA to Finland, (GPD Finland 2011)
- GPD Finland 2017 Final Program
  - to see a copy of the program, please click the image below









# Organizers and Supporters

- GPD events are organized by Glaston in co-operation with:
  - other companies
  - glass industry associations, media, universities
  - architecture and structural engineering offices
- Companies can cooperate with Glaston in various ways such as
  - Becoming sponsors e.g.
    - event sponsor
    - activity sponsor
    - merchandise sponsor
  - Organizing an activity during an event e.g. a workshop



# International Media Supporting GPD

- Asianglass, UK
- Architectural Glass & Industrial Glass, China
- BAU Business, Ukraine
- DETAIL, Germany
- China Building Doors Curtain Wall & Equipment, China
- DGG Journal, Germany
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- Glaswelt, Germany
- Intelligent Glass Solutions, UK
- Lasinikkari, Finland
- Lasirakentaja, Finland
- Middle East Glass Magazine, Egypt
- O Vidroplano, Brasil
- Reed Business Information, Italy
- Revista Del Vidrioplano, Spain
- Rivista del Vetro, Italy

- Solaria, Italy
- USGlass, USA
- USGNN.com News, USA
- VERRE, France
- Vitrea / Novoperfil, Spain
- Windows. Doors. Glass Facades, Ukraine
- World of Glass, Greece
- Windows Active, UK



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