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**Beneq announces collaboration with AGC Flat Glass Europe**

Beneq Oy (FI) strengthens its position as supplier to the glass industry by "Introducing Real Nanotechnology to the Glass Industry" and announcing the on-going joint development project and collaboration with AGC Flat Glass Europe (BE) for Beneq's nanotechnology-based glass coating technology, nHALO®.

Beneq's unique coating technology and equipment combined with AGC Flat Glass Europe's extensive experience in the field of glass production and manufacturing technology and knowhow concerning the use of the glass products enables extensive development and commercialization of nHALO-technology. The commercialization of nHALO will cover a wide range of coating applications and these applications will gradually enter into flat glass markets.

"Collaboration with AGC Flat Glass Europe, a European leader in flat glass is a significant step further for Beneq to introduce nanotechnology solutions to flat glass. AGC Flat Glass Europe's resources and know-how gives Beneq valuable information about industry needs and helps us speed up the commercialization of nHALO technology and equipment", says Mr. Sampo Ahonen, CEO of Beneq.

Beneq's proprietary nHALO-technology and applications are designed for producing functional surfaces on glass enabling synthesis, deposition and diffusion of nanoparticles in and/or on the surface of glass. In the nAERO-process, submicron droplets are directly deposited on hot glass and form a uniform film and the process can be adapted to the transport speeds of glass production and post-processing lines. The main applications for nAERO are low-emissivity and TCO-coatings on glass. Beneq ALD Thin Film Systems are designed for depositing oxides, nitrides and sulfides on metals, polymers and biocompatible materials. ALD applications are applied to optical, tribological, passivation and primer layer high precision thin films for flat and complex 3D-products.

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