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HOW SEALANTS & ADHESIVES CONTRIBUTE TO MODERN & SUSTAINABLE GLASS FAÇADES

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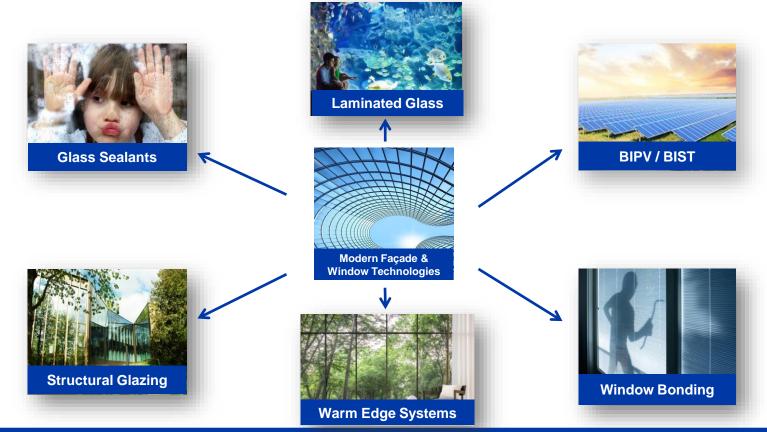
About H.B. Fuller | KÖMMERLING

- H.B. Fuller | KÖMMERLING is the global market leader of adhesives and sealants for insulating glass applications, focused on continuous development of technical products and application solutions.
- We provide high performance sealant systems with unique bonding solutions for energy-efficient residential construction to modern glass façades.
 - Insulating Glass Sealants
 - Warm-Edge Spacer Systems
 - Structural Glazing Solutions
 - Window Bonding Technologies
 - Wet Lamination of Glass



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Modern Façade Technologies



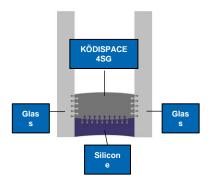
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Sustainable Products in modern Architecture

Construction

40% of global CO₂ emissions attributable to construction and building sector

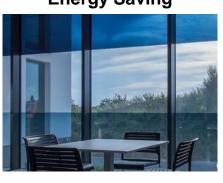
Energy Efficiency



Ködispace 4SG enables the production of providing superior gas tight IGUs ensuring long-term energy efficiency

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Energy Saving



H.B Fuller | Kömmerling technology allows the integration of aditional functions to the IGU **H.B Fuller | Kömmerling** sealants for hightech façade solutions – the ideal balance of aesthetic appeal, long term performance and energy efficiency

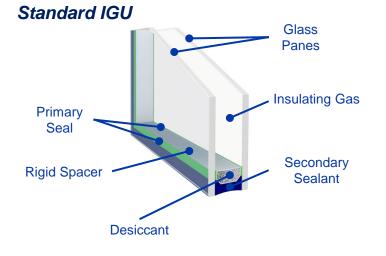
Energy Generation

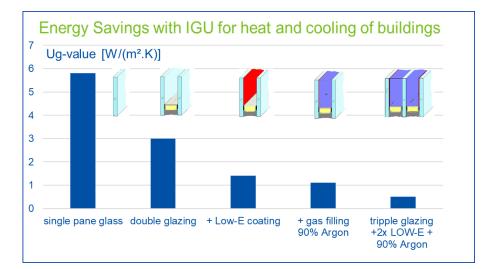


H.B. Fuller high performance **silicones** enables the production and mounting of BIPV technology

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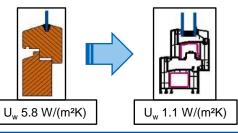
Insulating Glass Minimizes Operational Carbon...





Cold bridging

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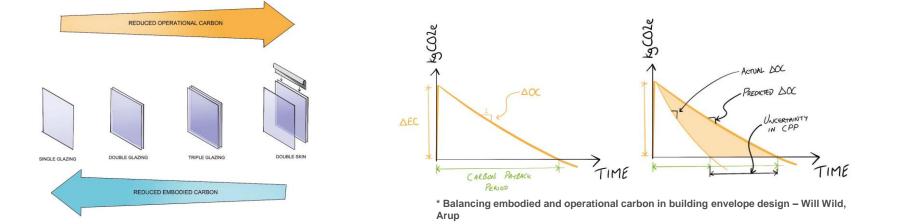
Savings of heating oil / year	720
CO2-Emission savings / year	1950 kg

20 m² glazing surface of the building (e.g. residential family home)

...but Increases Embodied Carbon

Operational vs. embodied carbon

Estimated and actual service life assessment



Increased IGU complexity and premature failure increase carbon cost

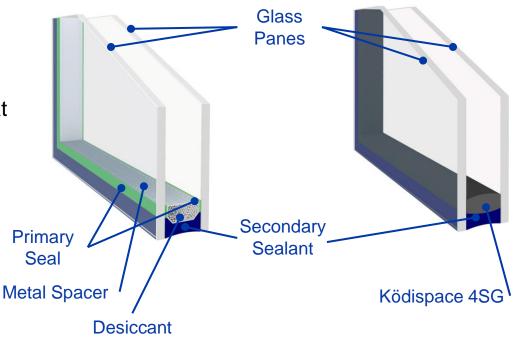
need to significantly increase the service life of an IGU

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Thermoplastic Spacer in Insulating Glass

- Replaces spacer, desiccant, and primary sealant
- Extrudable spacer deposited directly on glass
- Amenable to shapes and large format IG
- Can utilize any common secondary sealant
- Warm edge performance
- Spacer-in-a-drum

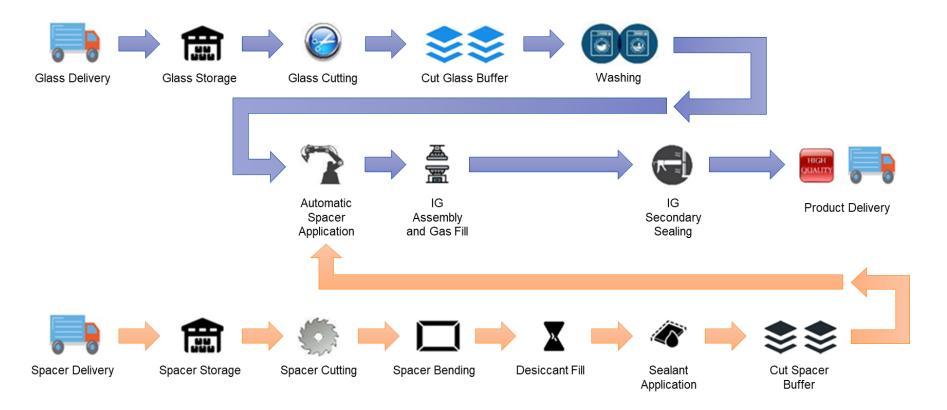


Manufacturing and Operational Carbon Advantages

- Fewer process steps and faster manufacturing
 - No sorting IG frames
 - No spacer reel or color changes
 - Continuous production no drum change down time
- Reduced warehouse space needed
 - 4SG replaces fixed spacer widths
 - No more connectors, corner keys, hardware
- Reduced waste
 - No spacer cutting waste
 - No desiccant spills
 - No bending errors
- Fewer machines and equipment
 - Spacer bender, PIB extruder, desiccant filler, spacer hanger, etc

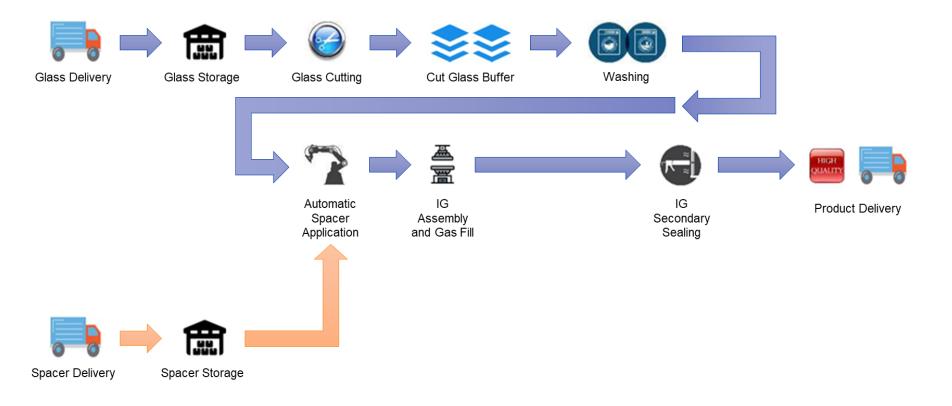


Typical Box Spacer IG Production Process – 15 Steps



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Typical Ködispace 4SG IG Process – 10 Steps



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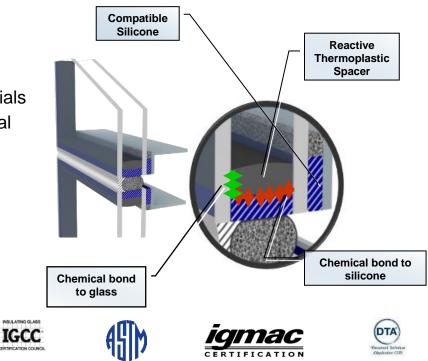
Ködispace 4SG – The State-of-the-Art TPS

Reactive TPS

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- Chemical bond to glass & silicone
- Internal crosslinking
- Higher service temperature
- Resistance to incompatible glazing materials
- Permanently elastic and bonded edge seal
- Structural glazing approved
- In the field since 2009
- Extensively tested/certified

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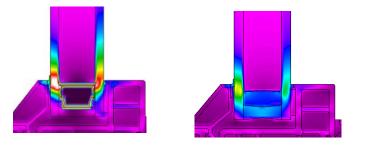


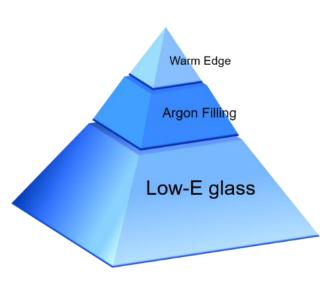
Thermal Performance for the Long Run

Warm Edge Performance

- · Best U-values are achieved by minimizing thermal loss
- Minimized heating/cooling of the insulating glass edge, creating a more comfortable interior space
- Reduced condensation and mold spores
- Reduced cooling /heating costs, CO2 emissions, and overall environmental impact

This performance should be maintained for the life of the IGU



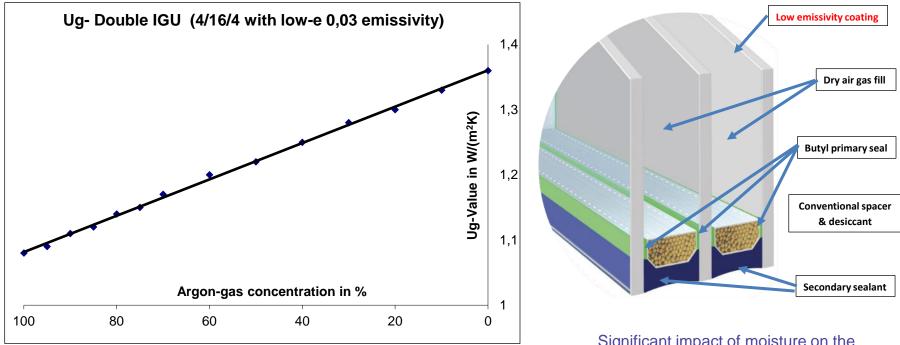


Long term gas tighntess is the key for long term energy efficiency !

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The Insulation Consequence of Moisture Ingress and Gas Loss



A Correlation of Ug values against argon gas concentration

Significant impact of moisture on the performance of some metalised type coatings (i.e. Low-E coatings)

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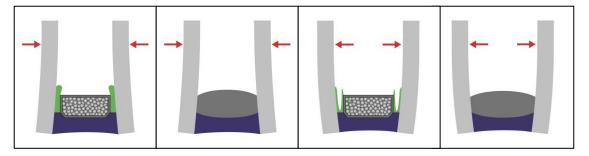
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The Importance of Elasticity

- Stress results in strain in an IG unit
- Rigid spacer systems compensate through glass deflection and primary seal deformation
- Ködispace 4SG can elastically deform and minimize glass movement during environmental stress







Improved stress and strain distribution = minimized chance of failure = longer lifetime

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Ködispace 4SG - Long Term Durability

Life Time Expectation of IGUs with Different Spacer Materials* Aluminum Spacer Hybrid Spacer #1 Hybrid Spacer #2 Foam Spacer > 50 years Ködispace 4SG

*based on multiple EN1279 part 3 tests



Building Envelopes for the Future

Volvo Innovation Centre, Torslanda, Sweden



= Perfect Match

significantly increased IGU service life

- 50% Lower Carbon Footprint
- Sustainability at its maximum !



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Ködispace 4SG Delivering a Sustainable Future

State of the art thermal performance fit for future



Smart Glass

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Triple Thin

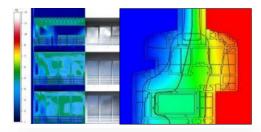


Hybrid VIG

Already working today for the demands of tomorrow!

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Ködispace 4SG – Enabling the Most Carbon-Efficient Facades





- Energy and Carbon-Efficient Buildings
 - Exceptional gas retention over extended life cycles
 - Exceptional mechanical stability under torsion, shear and lateral loads and stable at elevated temperatures
- Innovative Shapes & Maximum Transparency
 - Innovative shaped designs and cold bent insulated glass
 - Incredibly accurate spacer location for coated and deleted specifications with robot applications
- Multifunctional Building Envelopes
 - Compatibility assessed with standard use secondary, structural and weather sealants
 - Design guidance from our experienced technical team

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References all around the World - #4SGplanet



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Thank you!

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