WSTS Meetings

WSTS meetings serve for the purpose of directing the WSTS policy and operation, as forums of information exchange within the semiconductor industry, and of preparing an industry forecast 3 years ahead. This document provides information on meeting objectives, participants, frequency and locations.

Board of Directors Meeting

Purpose: To direct and supervise the operation of WSTS and its financial management.

Participants: The 13 appointed directors, the Chairman, the WSTS Administrator acting and the recording secretary. Other participants may be invited. Representatives of the Semiconductor Industry Associations are traditionally invited guests.

Frequency: Minimum twice a year, usually co-located with the Committee Meeting (see below).

Output: Minutes, resolutions, appointments.

Executive Committee Meeting

Purpose: To direct WSTS policy and programs.

Participants: The WSTS Chairman, the Vice Chairmen of the 4 Regions Americas, Europe, Japan and Asia-Pacific, the WSTS Administrator and the recording secretary. Other participants may be invited. Representatives of the Semiconductor Industry associations are traditionally invited guests.

Frequency: Minimum twice a year, usually co-located with the Committee Meeting (see below).

Output: Minutes, resolutions, appointments.

Committee Meeting

Purpose: To review and implement changes and adjustments to the WSTS programs, to approve changes to the bylaws and to elect the chairman. To review the status of the semiconductor industry and to prepare an industry forecast covering the remaining quarters of the current year and the three following years.

Participants: One committee representative per member company (holding voting rights), other participants from member companies, chairman, vice chairmen and directors, administrator, assistant to administrator, observers from semiconductor industry associations and special invited guests.

Frequency and Duration: Twice a year lasting for 3 days.

Location: Both the spring meetings and the autumn meetings will subsequently take place in any of the four regions: USA, Europe, Japan, Asia Pacific.

Output: Presentations, minutes, semiconductor forecast.

Regional Chapter Meetings

Scope: The four regions Americas, Europe, Japan and Asia-Pacific hold regional chapter meetings.

Purpose: To review regional market developments, to conceive and initiate regional policies and projects, to formulate proposals for classification format changes, to prepare inputs for the worldwide meetings, to nominate and elect regional WSTS representatives.

Participants: Representatives of regional member companies, regional vice chairman and invited guests (e. g. representatives of member companies from other regions, who have a strong business presence in the host region, the WSTS administrator, representatives of the regional semiconductor industry association).

Frequency: 2 to 4 meetings per year; in Asia Pacific currently separate meetings are held for Korean and Taiwan based companies.

Output: Minutes, resolutions, appointments.

Other Meetings

WSTS may from time to time form specific task forces or working groups to accomplish certain goals. Participants to these initiatives will be volunteers from member companies.

Detailed Information on Specific Meetings

The info page for the next Committee Meeting is accessible from the home page, however, as participation is limited to employees of WSTS member companies, detailed information such as the agenda, the list of participants and so on will need login. Post meeting information from previous meetings is only accessible after login.
Semiconductor companies who are not WSTS members but intend become members may participate in WSTS meetings under guest-status. If this is your situation you should contact the Administrator for the Committee meeting or the regional vice chairman for the regional chapter meeting.