WSTS Semiconductor Market Forecast Spring 2014

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WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET TO KEEP STEADY GROWTH UNTIL 2015

Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US$325 billion in 2014, up 6.5% from 2013.

The World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) has released its updated semiconductor market forecast. WSTS predicts that the world semiconductor market will reach US$325 billion in 2014, up 6.5% from 2013.All major product categories will show a high single digit growth rate, except microprocessors which will show a soft decline. The growth will be largely driven by smartphones, tablets and automotive. The highest growth rates are shown for the Analog (9.1%) and Sensor (9.1%) category. By region, all regions except Japan will grow from 2013. Japan market is forecasted to decline from2013 in US dollar basis due to JPY depreciation compared to 2013.

Worldwide Semiconductor Market is predicted to grow further in both 2015 and 2016.

Solid growth for all product categories is expected to continue over the next 2 years, under the assumption of macro economy recovery throughout the entire forecast period. Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 3.3% to US$336 billion in 2015. For 2016, the market is forecasted to be US$350 billion, up 4.3%.
By end market, automotive and communications (especially wireless) are expected to grow stronger than the total market, whereas consumer and computer are assumed to rermain almost flat.
By region, Asia-Pacific will be the fastest growing region and expected to reach US$207 billion in 2016, which is almost 60% share of the total semiconductor market.

About WSTS:

World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS), founded in 1986 as a non-profit organization of semiconductor product companies, is the singular source for monthly industry shipment statistics.

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