WSTS Semiconductor Market Forecast Autumn 2014

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WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET TO KEEP STEADY GROWTH UNTIL 2015

Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US$333 billion in 2014, up 9.0% from 2013.

The World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) has released its updated semiconductor market forecast. WSTS anticipates the world semiconductor market to show a solid growth of 9% up to US$333 billion in 2014, driven mainly by double digit growth of Memory product category. All other major product categories are also forecasted to have positive growth rates. The highest growth rates are shown for the Memory (17.3%), Discretes (12.3%) and Analog (10.3%) categories. By geography, all regions will grow from 2013. The semiconductor market growth will be largely driven by smartphones and automotive.

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

All product categories and regions are forecasted to grow steadily but moderately, under the assumption of a further macro economy recovery throughout the entire forecast period and maturing historically strong markets. Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 3.4% to US$345 billion in 2015. For 2016, the market is forecasted to be US$355 billion, up 3.1%.
By end market, automotive and communications are expected to grow stronger than the total market, whereas consumer and computer are assumed to rermain almost flat.
Regionally, Asia-Pacific will continue to be the fastest growing region and is expected to reach US$209 billion in 2016, which is already a share of almost 60% of the total semiconductor market.

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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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