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## **WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET RECOVERY IN 2013 AFTER SLIGHT DECLINE IN 2012**

**Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US\$298 billion in 2013, up 2.1% from 2012.**

The World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) has released its updated semiconductor market forecast that the world semiconductor market in 2013 will be US\$298 billion, up 2.1% from 2012. The market is expected to recover gradually throughout 2013, with estimates of slight recovery of global economy and stable growth of product categories related to smart phones, tablets and automotive. On the other hand, product categories which are related to PCs are forecasted to decline from 2012. By region, only Japan market is forecast to decline from 2012. Steep JPY depreciation compared to 2012 is another negative factor for the market.

**Worldwide Semiconductor Market is predicted to be historical high in 2014, followed by further growth in 2015.**

Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 5.1% to US\$313 billion in 2014 surpassing historical high of 2011 which registered US\$300 billion. For 2015, the market is forecasted to be US\$325 billion, up 3.8%. All product categories and regions are

forecasted to grow positively in each year, with assumption of continuing recovery of global economy throughout the forecast period.

**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.

## WSTS Forecast Summary

From the spring 2013 Forecast Meeting, held in Cologne, Germany  
21 to 23 May 2013.

Spring 2013	Amounts in US\$M				Year on Year Growth in %			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015
Americas	54,359	55,225	57,115	58,526	-1.5	1.6	3.4	2.5
Europe	33,163	34,905	36,304	37,393	-11.3	5.3	4.0	3.0
Japan	41,056	35,402	36,772	37,591	-4.3	-13.8	3.9	2.2
Asia Pacific	162,985	172,234	182,716	191,393	-0.6	5.7	6.1	4.7
<b>Total World - \$M</b>	<b>291,562</b>	<b>297,766</b>	<b>312,906</b>	<b>324,903</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>3.8</b>
Discrete Semiconductors	19,138	18,136	19,211	19,996	-10.5	-5.2	5.9	4.1
Optoelectronics	26,175	27,052	29,098	30,670	13.4	3.3	7.6	5.4
Sensors	8,009	8,372	8,970	9,467	0.5	4.5	7.1	5.5
Integrated Circuits	238,240	244,206	255,628	264,771	-3.6	2.5	4.7	3.6
Analog	39,303	40,125	42,300	44,129	-7.2	2.1	5.4	4.3
Micro	60,238	58,474	60,488	62,476	-7.6	-2.9	3.4	3.3
Logic	81,703	85,248	90,658	94,220	3.7	4.3	6.3	3.9
Memory	56,995	60,360	62,182	63,946	-6.2	5.9	3.0	2.8
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Note: Numbers in the table are rounded to whole millions of dollars, which may cause totals by region and totals by product group to differ slightly.