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WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET TO KEEP STEADY GROWTH UNTIL 2017

Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US\$347 billion in 2015, up 3.4% from 2014.

The World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) has released its new semiconductor market forecast generated in May 2015.

WSTS anticipates the world semiconductor market to show a moderate growth of 3.4% to US\$347 billion in 2015, driven by all major product categories.

All major product categories are forecasted to have positive growth rates. The highest growth rates are expected for the Optoelectronics (8.3%) and Analog (5.6%) category.

By geography, not all regions will grow from 2014. Europe and Japan will show a decline in 2015 at the US\$ based forecast, which is mainly based on the current FX effect between Euro/USD and Yen/USD.

The semiconductor market growth in 2015 will be largely driven by smartphones and automotive.

Worldwide Semiconductor Market is expected to grow further moderately in both 2016 and 2017.

All major product categories and regions are forecasted to grow positively in each year, with the assumption of stable macro economy throughout the forecast period.

Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 3.4% to US\$359 billion in 2016. For 2017, the market is forecasted to be US\$370 billion, up by 3.0%.

By end application, automotive and wireless communications are projected to grow stronger than the total market, whereas consumer and computer are assumed to remain almost flat.

By region, a positive growth rate is projected for all regions in 2016 and 2017. Asia-Pacific continues to show growth rates above the worldwide average. Asia-Pacific is still the fastest growing region and is expected to reach US\$216 billion in 2016, which is a share of 60% 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.

For more information, please visit the web site at www.wsts.org

WSTS Forecast Summary

From the spring 2015 Forecast Meeting, held in Los Angeles, USA, 18 to 21 May 2015.

Spring 2015	Amounts in US\$M				Year on Year Growth in %			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2014	2015	2016	2017
Americas	69,324	71,884	73,332	74,637	12.7	3.7	2.0	1.8
Europe	37,459	36,113	36,998	37,778	7.4	-3.6	2.5	2.1
Japan	34,830	31,508	32,148	32,620	0.1	-9.5	2.0	1.5
Asia Pacific	194,230	207,743	216,445	224,552	11.4	7.0	4.2	3.7
Total World - \$M	335,843	347,248	358,924	369,587	9.9	3.4	3.4	3.0
Discrete Semiconductors	20,170	20,402	20,998	21,567	10.8	1.1	2.9	2.7
Optoelectronics	29,868	32,360	33,526	34,655	8.3	8.3	3.6	3.4
Sensors	8,502	8,686	9,112	9,459	5.8	2.2	4.9	3.8
Integrated Circuits	277,302	285,800	295,288	303,906	10.1	3.1	3.3	2.9
Analog	44,365	46,846	49,323	51,600	10.6	5.6	5.3	4.6
Micro	62,072	62,539	64,277	65,830	5.8	0.8	2.8	2.4
Logic	91,633	94,943	99,476	102,962	6.6	3.6	4.8	3.5
Memory	79,232	81,472	82,212	83,514	18.2	2.8	0.9	1.6
Total Products - \$M	335,843	347,248	358,924	369,587	9.9	3.4	3.4	3.0

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.