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## **WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET TO KEEP STEADY GROWTH UNTIL 2017**

**Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US\$343 billion in 2015, up 2.3% from 2014.**

WSTS has published the Q2 2015 semiconductor market figures and re-calculated the Spring 2015 Forecast using the actual figures of the second quarter 2015.

WSTS anticipates the world semiconductor market to show a moderate growth of 2.3% to US\$343 billion in 2015. All major product categories are forecasted to show positive growth rates. The highest growth rates are expected for the Optoelectronics (14%), Sensors (4,3%), and the Analog (4.0%) categories.

By geography, not all regions will grow in 2015. Europe and Japan will show a strong 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 and also the following years is strongly driven by smartphones and automotive applications.

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

All major product categories and regions are forecasted to grow moderately in both years under the prerequisite of a stable economic market environment throughout the forecast period.

Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 3.1% to US\$354 billion in 2016. For 2017, the market is forecasted to be US\$365 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, positive growth rates are expected for 2016 and 2017. Asia-Pacific (including China) will continue to show higher growth rates than the other regions and is expected to reach US\$217 billion in 2016, which is already a share of greater than 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.

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## WSTS Forecast Summary

By replacing the Q2 2015 forecast figures with Q2 2015 actual results, the forecast of the 2015 and 2016 annual growth rates is updated from the 2015 Spring Forecast, published on June 06, 2015.

Spring 2015 - Q2 update	Amounts in US\$M				Year on Year Growth in %			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2014	2015	2016	2017
Americas	69,324	69,689	70,343	71,530	12.7	0.5	0.9	1.7
Europe	37,459	34,844	35,250	35,979	7.4	-7.0	1.2	2.1
Japan	34,830	31,292	31,833	32,281	0.1	-10.2	1.7	1.4
Asia Pacific	194,230	207,596	216,523	224,770	11.4	6.9	4.3	3.8
<b>Total World - \$M</b>	<b>335,843</b>	<b>343,420</b>	<b>353,949</b>	<b>364,561</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>
Discrete Semiconductors	20,170	19,483	19,802	20,351	10.8	-3.4	1.6	2.8
Optoelectronics	29,868	34,053	35,820	37,029	8.3	14.0	5.2	3.4
Sensors	8,502	8,864	9,414	9,779	5.8	4.3	6.2	3.9
Integrated Circuits	277,302	281,021	288,913	297,402	10.1	1.3	2.8	2.9
Analog	44,365	46,144	48,363	50,609	10.6	4.0	4.8	4.6
Micro	62,072	60,110	61,087	62,545	5.8	-3.2	1.6	2.4
Logic	91,633	93,960	98,137	101,617	6.6	2.5	4.4	3.5
Memory	79,232	80,807	81,326	82,630	18.2	2.0	0.6	1.6
<b>Total Products - \$M</b>	<b>335,843</b>	<b>343,420</b>	<b>353,949</b>	<b>364,561</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>

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.