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**Worldwide Semiconductor Market is expected to be slightly positive in 2016 and grow moderately in 2017.**

WSTS has published the Q4 2015 semiconductor market figures and re-calculated the Autumn 2015 Forecast using the actual figures of the fourth quarter 2015.

During 2016 growth is expected to be driven by Sensors, Micros, and Logic. All major product categories and regions are forecasted to grow moderately in 2017, under the prerequisite of a stable economic market environment throughout the forecast period.

The Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 0.3% to US\$336 billion in 2016 and up 3.1% to US\$347 billion in 2017.

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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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# WSTS Forecast Summary

By replacing the Q4 2015 forecast figures with Q4 2015 actual results, the forecast of the annual growth rates is updated from the 2015 Autumn Forecast, published on December 01, 2015.

Autumn 2015 - Q4 update	Amounts in US\$M				Year on Year Growth in %			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2014	2015	2016	2017
Americas	69,324	68,738	69,664	71,996	12.7	-0.8	1.3	3.3
Europe	37,459	34,258	33,698	34,536	7.4	-8.5	-1.6	2.5
Japan	34,830	31,102	31,277	32,125	0.1	-10.7	0.6	2.7
Asia Pacific	194,230	201,070	201,453	207,792	11.4	3.5	0.2	3.1
<b>Total World - \$M</b>	<b>335,843</b>	<b>335,168</b>	<b>336,092</b>	<b>346,450</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>
Discrete Semiconductors	20,170	18,612	18,108	18,748	10.8	-7.7	-2.7	3.5
Optoelectronics	29,868	33,256	34,313	35,894	8.3	11.3	3.2	4.6
Sensors	8,502	8,816	9,134	9,480	5.8	3.7	3.6	3.8
Integrated Circuits	277,302	274,484	274,537	282,328	10.1	-1.0	0.0	2.8
Analog	44,365	45,228	45,976	47,856	10.6	1.9	1.7	4.1
Micro	62,072	61,298	63,524	64,974	5.8	-1.2	3.6	2.3
Logic	91,633	90,753	93,928	96,024	6.6	-1.0	3.5	2.2
Memory	79,232	77,205	71,109	73,474	18.2	-2.6	-7.9	3.3
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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.