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Automotive expert Jens Knut Fabrowsky new ESIA President

Brussels, 6 December 2017 – ESIA, the voice of the semiconductor industry in Europe, announced today that Jens Knut Fabrowsky, Executive Vice President of Automotive Electronics at *Robert Bosch*, was elected President of the association by the General Assembly.

Jens Knut Fabrowsky has a distinguished 18-year career within *Robert Bosch*, with a strong focus on automotive technologies. Since 2012, he serves as Executive Vice President Automotive Electronics at the Reutlingen facility in Germany. Mr Fabrowsky is succeeding Klaus Meder, who is pursuing his career as President & Representative Director of *Bosch Corporation Japan* in Tokyo.

On his election, the new ESIA President said: *“Earlier today, the members of the European Semiconductor Industry Association have confided their trust in me to steer the association through intriguing times. Over the past twelve months, we have come across major developments on the world stage – some fascinating, some challenging. Notwithstanding, the European semiconductor companies have met new challenges and turned them into opportunities for growth. We counter cyber-attacks with ever-more secure hardware solutions, complex challenges in connected & automated driving are met with projects that gather vertical, horizontal and transversal stakeholders.”*

“I am deeply grateful for the outstanding work Klaus Meder has done, and I seek to continue it in the same vein. Considering the prospects, I am already getting excited, and I look forward to strengthening Europe’s leadership as a beacon of technological excellence worldwide”, Mr Fabrowsky added.

Ending his mandate at the helm of the association, Klaus Meder comments: *“My time as ESIA President has been a captivating experience. Disruptive, game-changing technologies have taken centre stage, fields of application such as connected & automated driving, the Internet of Things (IoT), quantum computing & cybersecurity, energy, health, smart manufacturing... continued to expand. Everywhere we turn, we can see how semiconductors are transforming the way we live our lives, communicate with others, drive our vehicles, manufacture goods, etc. The evolution (and revolution) of both industries and our day-to-day lives have shifted into higher gear, and I feel honoured of having been a part of the forward movement.”*

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ABOUT ESIA

The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) is the voice of the Semiconductor Industry in Europe. Its mission is to represent and promote the common interests of the Europe based semiconductor industry towards the European Institutions and stakeholders in order to ensure a sustainable business environment and foster its global competitiveness. As a provider of key enabling technologies the industry creates innovative solutions for industrial development, contributing to economic growth and responding to major societal challenges. Being ranked as the most R&D intensive sector by the European Commission, the European Semi-conductor ecosystem supports approx. 200.000 jobs directly and up to 1.000.000 induced jobs in systems, applications and services in Europe. Overall, micro- and nano-electronics enable the generation of at least 10% of GDP in Europe and the world.