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# **European semiconductor Sales** continue to climb in September 2016

European sales of semiconductors reached US\$ 8.165 billion during the third quarter of 2016, an increase of 2.7% over the US\$ 8.008 billion total of the second quarter, the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) announced today. The sales figures, based on the latest WSTS reports, show consistent growth also looking at monthly sales. European semiconductor sales in September 2016 reached US\$ 2.757 billion, an increase of 1.6% compared to the August European sales of US\$ 2.713 billion,

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in September 2016 were US\$ 29.435 billion, up 4.2% compared to the August 2016 total, and up 3.6% versus the same month in 2015. Sales in total third quarter 2016 were up 8.3% versus the previous quarter All growth figures represent a three-month rolling average.

All the main product categories were up in September compared to August, with the following exhibiting strong performances: total Logic (up 4.4. %), total MOS Microprocessor (up 1.8%), and application specific semiconductor devices (up 2.7%). Looking at sales of application specific chips worldwide, semiconductor devices designed to be used in automotive infotainment, consumer and wireless communication applications performed particularly well.

In September, exchange rate effects had a relatively less significant impact on the European sales picture when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.471 billion Euros in September 2016, up 1.7% compared to the previous month and a decrease of 4.2% versus the same month a year ago.

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ESIA is an Industry Association of:

EECA: European Electronic Component manufacturers' Association

### Monthly European Semiconductor Sales in Billion Euro

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
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Europe	2.713	2.757	0.7%	1.6%	-3.4%	-4.0%	-6.4%	-6.4%
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Americas	5.431	5.682	6.4%	4.6%	-3.0%	-2.4%	-10.6%	-9.6%
Japan	2.735	2.799	5.0%	2.3%	2.4%	4.2%	1.1%	1.5%
Asia Pacific	17.360	18.197	3.7%	4.8%	3.3%	6.8%	-1.1%	-0.1%
of which China	8.986	9.467	4.3%	5.4%	9.1%	12.0%	4.3%	5.3%
World	28.240	29.435	4.0%	4.2%	1.3%	3.6%	-3.4%	-2.6%
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Europe	2.430	2.471	1.0%	1.7%	-3.8%	-4.2%	-6.5%	-6.5%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.120	1.120	0.7%	-0.3%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

Note: Figures are 3-month average data except for YTD growth, which is based on current month data.

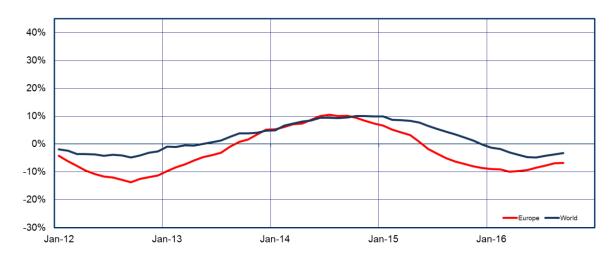
## Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Development (in Euro)



3/12=Percent change of a three month period compared to a similar period twelve months before 12/12= Percent change of a twelve month period compared to a similar period twelve months before

Note:

### Semiconductor sales worldwide and in Europe (in US Dollars)



Note: On a 12/12 basis, i.e. on the basis of the percent change of a 12 month period compared to a similar period twelve months before

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About ESIA: The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) is the voice of the Semiconductor Industry of Europe. Its mission is to represent, promote and defend 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 nanoelectronics enable the generation of at least 10% of GDP in Europe and the world.

**About WSTS:** World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) is a non-profit organization located in California, USA. Founded in 1986, WSTS is the singular source for monthly industry shipment statistics. The mission of WSTS is to be the respected source of semiconductor market data and forecast. <a href="http://www.wsts.org/">http://www.wsts.org/</a>