

ESIA WELCOMES SOITEC AND FBK AMONG ITS MEMBERS

ESIA, the voice of the semiconductor industry in Europe, is happy to welcome two new members to the association: **Soitec** from France, and the **Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)** from Italy. The ascension to membership for both Soitec and FBK was approved unanimously by the ESIA General Assembly on 5 December 2018.



Soitec was founded in 1992 by two researchers from CEA-Leti (also an ESIA member), seeking to industrialise silicon-on-insulator (SOI) technology.

The company is headquartered in Bernin, France, and is active in design & production of innovative semiconductor materials. In its own words, the company “*offers unique and competitive solutions for miniaturizing chips, improving their performance and reducing their energy usage.*” At present, Soitec employs approx. 1,100 people, has four manufacturing fabs, and — apart from France — runs facilities in China (Hsinchu), Japan (Tokyo), Korea (Seoul), Singapore, and the United States (Peabody, MA, and San Diego, CA).

Visit the [Soitec website](#) to learn more.



The **Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)** is a research non-profit public interest entity headquartered in Trento, Italy.

FBK was established by the government of the Autonomous Province of Trento (Trentino) in March 2007 as the successor of the 1962 'Istituto Trentino di Cultura'. Through its two scientific hubs, seven research centres & seven laboratories, the foundation aims for “*results of excellence in science and technology with particular emphasis on interdisciplinary approaches and to the applicative dimension*”.

FBK had requested to join ESIA in May 2018, and had since been 'provisional' member until today's approval by the General Assembly.

Visit the [FBK website](#) to learn more.