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## **Latest SEMICONDUCTOR SALES DATA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **European semiconductor sales up 1.4% percent in February**

Sales in the European semiconductor market in February (measured in US\$) increased by 1.4% compared to the previous month, the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) reported yesterday. This makes Europe the only region in the world to post positive growth last month. Overall, European semiconductor sales in February 2013 amounted to US\$ 2.681 billion. On a year-to-date basis semiconductor sales increased by 2.0% versus the same period in the year 2012.

February growth in Europe was driven by increased sales in the discrete, optoelectronics, total analog, total logic, MOS microcontroller and total MOS memory product categories. Looking at sales of application specific chips, both analog circuits and MOS special purpose logic devices designed for specific applications saw higher sales compared to the previous month.

In February, exchange rate effects became smaller when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.023 billion Euros in February 2013, flat versus the previous month and down 2.7% versus the same month a year ago.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in February 2013 were US\$ 23.253 billion, down 3.8% versus the previous month. This represents an increase of 1.4% versus the same month in 2012.

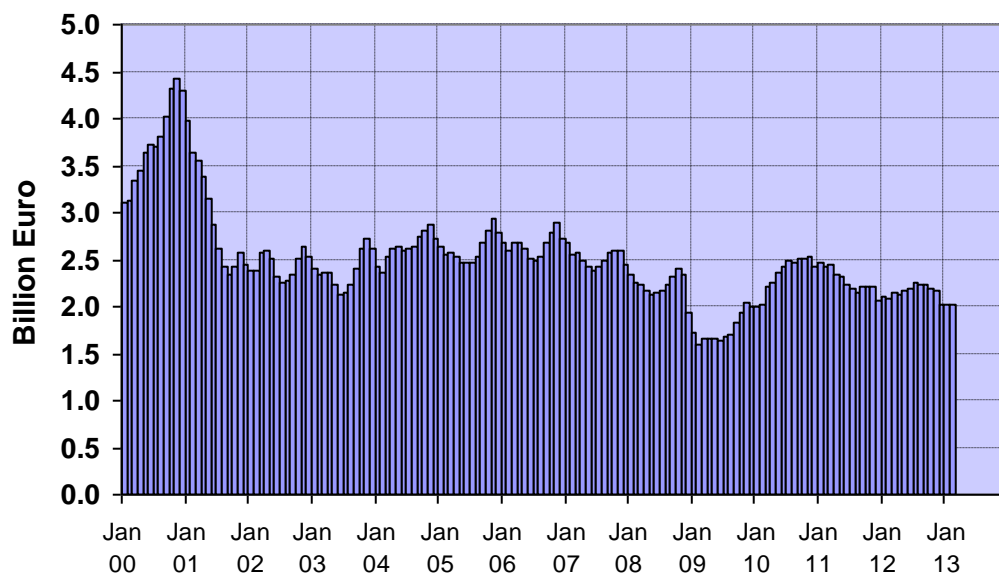
(For more data please see the tables and graphs on following pages)

## Market data by region<sup>1</sup>

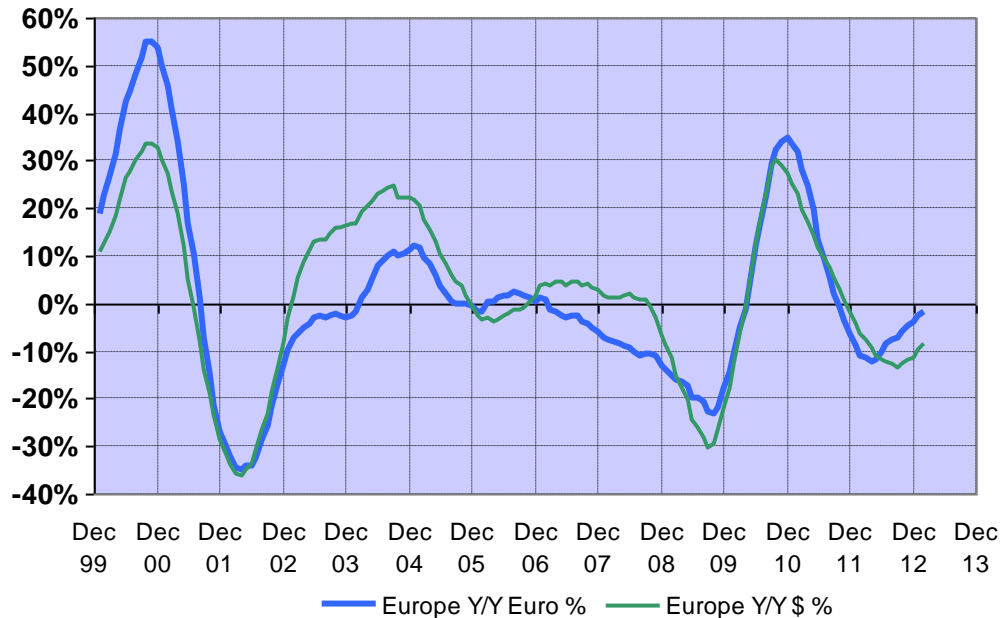
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Jan 13	Feb13	Jan 13	Feb13	Jan 13	Feb13	Jan 13	Feb13
in \$:								
<b>Europe</b>	2.645	2.681	0.8%	1.4%	-4.5%	-1.5%	2.2%	2.0%
<b>Americas</b>	4.778	4.479	-3.4%	-6.2%	10.6%	1.6%	8.6%	0.8%
<b>Japan</b>	3.000	2.849	-5.9%	-5.0%	-12.7%	-15.7%	-16.1%	-19.6%
<b>Asia Pacific</b>	13.745	13.244	-1.7%	-3.6%	8.8%	6.7%	16.0%	8.5%
of which China	5.146	4.906	-3.1%	-4.7%	1.3%	-1.0%	4.7%	0.1%
<b>World</b>	<b>24.169</b>	<b>23.253</b>	<b>-2.3%</b>	<b>-3.8%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
In EURO:								
<b>Europe</b>	2.023	2.023	-0.1%	0.0%	-3.5%	-2.7%	-0.7%	-0.2%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.328	1.338	3.0%	1.2%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

1) Unless otherwise indicated, all figures are 3-month-average data except YTD growth which is based on current month data.

## EUROPE - Monthly European Semiconductor sales in billion Euro (3-month-average data)



## European Semiconductor sales growth in % - Annualized growth trend (Y/Y) in Euro and Dollar (12-month-average data)



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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 800.000 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.

**About WSTS:** World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) is a non-profit organization of 62 semiconductor companies representing close to 80% of the world semiconductor market. 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.

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