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European Semiconductor Sales up 11.1% year-on-year in March

European semiconductor sales in March 2017 amounted to US\$ 2.961 billion, the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) reported based on the latest WSTS figures. This represents an increase by 11.1% versus the same month one year ago. Compared to the previous month, the European semiconductor market increased 5.0% in March. First-quarter European sales amounted to US\$ 8.619 billion, an increase of 1.4% compared to the previous quarter and an increase of 7.3% versus the same quarter a year ago. All growth figures represent a three-month rolling average.

Looking at monthly sales per product category, the European semiconductor market has seen double-digit growth on key product lines such as discretes and sensors. Robust month-on-month growth could be observed also for memories, logic chips, and optoelectronics.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in March 2017 were US\$ 30.878 billion, up 1.6% versus the previous month and up 18.1% versus the same month in 2016. Sales in total first quarter were down 0.6% versus the previous quarter but up 16.2% versus the same quarter a year ago.

In March, the exchange rate affected the European sales picture when comparing market growth in Euro and in Dollar. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.780 billion Euro in March 2017, up 4.5% versus the previous month and an increase of 15.0% versus the same month a year ago. Total first quarter sales amounted to 8.105 billion Euro, up 4.7% versus the previous quarter.

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Monthly European Semiconductor Sales

(3-month-average data, except YTD growth which is calculated based on current month data)

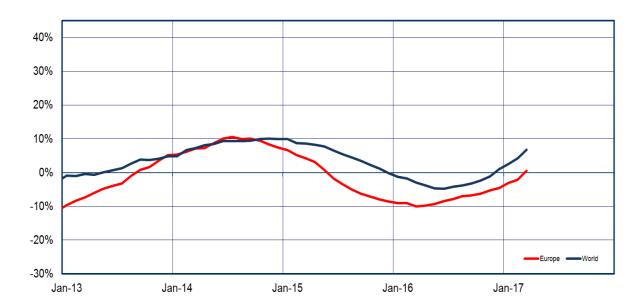
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Feb 17	Mar 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Feb 17	Mar 17
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Europe	2.820	2.961	-0.6%	5.0%	5.9%	11.1%	8.0%	11.1%
Americas	5.992	5.961	-2.3%	-0.5%	19.1%	21.9%	19.3%	21.9%
Japan	2.766	2.867	-0.9%	3.6%	11.9%	10.7%	11.6%	10.7%
Asia Pacific	18.816	19.089	-0.3%	1.5%	18.2%	19.3%	16.8%	19.3%
of which China	10.051	10.074	-1.0%	0.2%	25.0%	26.7%	25.0%	26.7%
World	30.394	30.878	-0.8%	1.6%	16.5%	18.1%	15.9%	18.1%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.660	2.780	-0.2%	4.5%	9.4%	15.0%	11.5%	15.0%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.065	1.068	-4.0%	-3.8%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Development (in Euro)



Note: 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

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 Semiconductor 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. http://www.wsts.org/