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European Semiconductor sales up 18.7% year-on-year

European semiconductor sales reached US\$ 3.685 billion in May 2018, a 18.7%-increase compared to the same month one year ago, the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) reports based on the latest WSTS numbers. During the period from January to May 2018, European semiconductor sales increased by 20.1% versus the same period in 2017.

All growth figures represent a three-month rolling average.

European demand in particular for Discretes, Sensors, Logic Devices and Memory ICs remained strong in May, leading to above average month-on-month growth compared with the 1.0%-increase of the overall European semiconductor market. Sales of application-specific chips also showed positive growth in Europe compared to April.

Looking at worldwide developments, semiconductor sales in May 2018 were US\$ 38.723 billion, up 21.0% versus the same month in 2017.

In May, the exchange rate effects were still visible but less significant than in previous months when comparing market growth in Euro and in Dollar. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 3.033 billion Euro in May 2018, up 2.4% versus the previous month and an increase of 5.5% versus the same month a year ago. On a YTD basis, semiconductor sales increased by 5.7%.

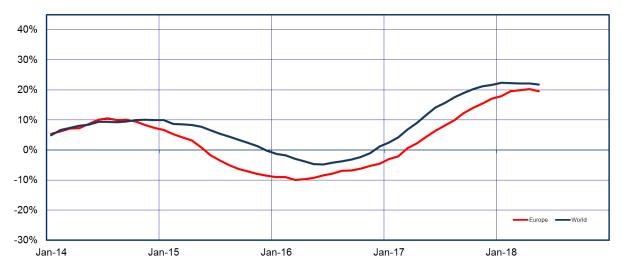
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Monthly European Semiconductor Sales

(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	
	Apr 18	May 18	Apr 18	May 18	Apr 18	May 18	Apr 18	May 18
in \$: Europe	3.650	3.685	1.3%	1.0%	22.2%	18.7%	21.6%	20.1%
Americas	8.157	8.244	0.8%	1.1%	34.1%	31.6%	34.7%	32.8%
Japan Asia Pacific	3.298 22.505	3.382 23.411		2.6% 4.0%	14.6% 16.4%	14.7% 19.0%	14.3% 17.2%	14.7% 18.0%
of which China	12.380	13.163		6.3%	22.3%	28.5%		24.1%
World	37.610	38.723	1.4%	3.0%	20.2%	21.0%	20.8%	20.8%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.961	3.033	1.0%	2.4%	5.9%	5.5%	5.5%	5.7%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.229	1.183	14.9%	7.2%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

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

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

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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 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. http://www.wsts.org/