

Press Release

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Siltronic breaks ground on a new crystal pulling hall in Singapore

Munich, June 26, 2018 – Siltronic, one of the world-wide leading manufacturers of hyperpure silicon wafers, broke ground for a new crystal-pulling hall on Wednesday, June 20 2018 at its existing Singapore production site in Tampines Wafer Fab Park. The new hall will be up in the second half of 2019. It will be equipped over approximately one year and will be fully operational by the end of 2020.

Dr. Christoph von Plotho, CEO of Siltronic AG: “Singapore's connectivity to the world, the diverse talent pool and the pro-business environment are key for us and we foresee our presence and involvement in Singapore only growing deeper and broader in the future”

Despite the high level of automation in its Singaporean plants, Siltronic currently employs roughly 1,000 people at its 200 mm and 300 mm fabs and will create around 90 additional jobs for engineers, technicians and skilled operators.

Since 1997, Siltronic has been continuously investing in Singapore which houses the Asian headquarter of the German-based company. The spending included the construction of a 200 mm wafer fab, which became operational in 1999 and was extended in 2012. The 300 mm wafer fab started its operation in 2008 and was also expanded in 2012.

According to Dr. Christoph von Plotho, Siltronic is proud of playing a part in partnering with EDB (Singapore Economic Development Board) and very much appreciates the strong support by EDB in the past and on the current project. The company is looking forward to leveraging its position in Singapore and to strengthen its global footprint in the years ahead.

“Singapore serves as a strategic base for Siltronic to tap on growth opportunities in Asia. Its latest investment will create good job opportunities for Singaporeans and underscores Singapore’s continued competitiveness in high value-added manufacturing,” said Mr. Pee Beng Kong, Director, Electronics, EDB. “We have built a strong semiconductor sector over the last 50 years and we look forward to Siltronic growing its footprint in Singapore.”



Photo (front row from left to right): Mr. Tan Richard (General Secretary, United Workers of Electronics & Electrical Industries), Mr. Niew Bock Cheng (President, Siltronic Silicon Wafer Pte. Ltd.), Mr. Lim Kok Kiang (Assistant Managing Director, Singapore Economic Development Board), Dr. Christoph von Plotho (CEO, Siltronic AG), Mr. Alvin Tan (Assistant CEO, JTC Corporation)



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Company profile:

Siltronic is one of the world's largest manufacturers of hyperpure silicon wafers and partner of many leading semiconductor companies. The company has a network of state-of-the-art production sites in Asia, Europe and the USA. Siltronic develops and manufactures silicon wafers in diameters of up to 300mm. Silicon wafers are the basis for modern microelectronics and nanoelectronics and a key component in semiconductor chips in e.g. computers, smartphones, navigation systems and many other applications. Siltronic AG employs nearly 3,800 people and is stock listed at the German Stock Exchange since 2015 and is a member of the TecDAX.