

Press Release

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Groundbreaking ceremony for the expansion of the crystal pulling hall at Siltronic's Freiberg site

Germany, Freiberg, August 6, 2021 – Siltronic AG today breaks ground to extend the crystal pulling hall at its Freiberg site, which was inaugurated in 2016. In the extension of the building monocrystals will be pulled, to produce 300 mm wafers used by the chip industry.

Once completed, the new extension will provide capacity for further state-of-the-art crystal pulling equipment. "Striving for continuous improvement and developing innovative products are among the most important tasks to ensure and expand our top technology position in the wafer industry. This makes Siltronic an attractive and sustainable employer," explains Dr. Christoph von Plotho, CEO of Siltronic AG. "With the new crystal pulling equipment, we are well prepared for the future to continue to be at the top of global competition in the semiconductor industry." The extension is planned to be completed by the end of next year.

Since Siltronic took over Freiburger Elektronikwerkstoffe GmbH in 1995, the company already invested more than EUR 1 billion at the Freiberg site in Saxony. "The investment in this new building shows that Siltronic remains clearly committed to the Freiberg site," von Plotho affirms.



From left to right: Dr. Christian Heedt (Siltronic Site Manager Freiberg), Winfried Hoppe (Siltronic), Dr. Lothar Beier (First representative of district administrator of Mittelsachsen), Dr. Christoph von Plotho (CEO Siltronic AG), Sven Krüger (Major of Freiberg), Rocco Matzke (Siltronic); Picture by Detlev Müller

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Company profile:

Siltronic is one of the world's largest manufacturers of hyperpure silicon wafers and partner to many leading semiconductor companies. The company operates production sites in Asia, Europe and the USA. Siltronic develops and manufactures silicon wafers in diameters of up to 300 mm. Silicon wafers form the basis for modern microelectronics and nanoelectronics and are a key component in semiconductor chips driving computers, smartphones, navigation systems and many other applications. Siltronic AG employs around 3,900 people and is a stock-listed company in Germany (Prime Standard). Siltronic shares are included in the SDAX and TecDAX.