Communiqués de presse

IBM et Samsung annoncent la collaboration de leur recherche autour de la technologie des semiconducteurs.

Companies' scientists to jointly develop semiconductor technology to enable powerful, energyefficient chips for new mobile devices and IT infrastructure

13 janv. 2011: IBM and Samsung today announced they will collaborate on basic research into new semiconductor materials, manufacturing processes and other technologies. The agreement calls for the two companies to jointly develop new semiconductor process technology that can be used in a broad range of applications -- from smart phone handsets to communications infrastructure.

For the first time, Samsung researchers will join IBM scientists in the Semiconductor Research Alliance at the Albany Nanotech Complex, Albany, N.Y., where researchers will investigate new materials and transistor structures, as well as innovative interconnect and packaging solutions for next-generation technology nodes. The research developments from this joint activity are planned to enable the delivery of industry leading silicon solutions that are optimized for performance, power consumption and size.

"We are pleased to have our top-level scientists involved with the cutting-edge research that's taking place at the Albany Nanotech Center," said ES Jung, senior vice president of technology development, System LSI Division, Samsung Electronics. "This should further enhance our joint efforts to continue technology leadership well into the future."

New process technology developed by the companies is planned to extend leadership in mobile computing as well as other high performance applications. For consumers, a new generation of devices -- smarter, connected and more mobile -- will require essential semiconductor breakthroughs to keep pace with technology trends (i.e. the mobile web, cloud computing,) and users' loftier expectations around performance and reliability.

"Collaborative innovation will be critical if the semiconductor industry is to continue driving new forms of consumer electronics and new methods of computing," said **Michael Cadigan, general manager, IBM Microelectronics**. "That's why we're excited to have Samsung scientists working with us at the most fundamental stages of the R&D process."

The agreement also renews IBM and Samsung's joint process development agreement (JDA) to multiple nodes starting at 20nm. IBM and Samsung plan to develop advanced technologies for foundry customers, enabling high-performance, energy-efficient chips at 20nm and beyond. To further enhance the JDA, Samsung's Semiconductor R&D center will also participate in development contribution.

Solutions for CMOS technology at 20-nanometers and beyond will be presented at the Common Platform Technology forum on January 18, 2011 at Santa Clara Convention center. Forum details can be found at <u>www.commonplatform.com</u>.

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Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. is a global leader in semiconductor, telecommunication, digital media and digital convergence technologies with 2009 consolidated sales of US\$116.8 billion. Employing approximately 174,000 people in 193 offices across 66 countries, the company consists of eight independently operated business units: Visual Display, Mobile Communications, Telecommunication Systems, Digital Appliances, IT Solutions, Digital Imaging, Semiconductor and LCD. Recognized as one of the fastest growing global brands, Samsung Electronics is a leading producer of digital TVs, memory chips, mobile phones and TFT-LCDs. For more information, please visit <u>www.samsung.com</u>.

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