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Keynote Speech: Next Step for Taiwan Memory Industry

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Abstract

2013 is a turning point in worldwide DRAM market. The merger of Micron and Elpida will not only change the global DRAM landscape but insure Taiwan remains an important role of DRAM manufacturing. Besides, as smartphone sales grow rapidly, Mobile DRAM will replace PC DRAM as the mainstream in the DRAM market. In the future, next-generation smart hand-held devices and servers in the cloud both are requiring more energy-efficient and high-performance solutions which will drive novel approaches in memory development such as 3D IC and next-generation non-volatile memories. Taiwan will continue and enlarge its position in worldwide memory market as long as appropriate strategy is formed and implemented.