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Infineon and Politecnico di Milano further expand cooperation

- **With a joint research platform and an endowed professorship for microelectronics, Infineon and Politecnico di Milano are strengthening the semiconductor ecosystem in the Alpe-Adria region.**
- **Over the next five years, in addition to the endowed professorship, up to 20 PhDs will be supported and investments will be made in the expansion of courses and laboratory infrastructure.**

Villach, Milan, June 12, 2025 - The successful cooperation between the renowned Politecnico di Milano and Infineon, one of the leading global semiconductor companies, will be further expanded. The strategic cooperation agreement for the next five years was signed yesterday in Milan in the presence of Infineon Austria CEO Sabine Herlitschka and the Rector of the Politecnico di Milano Donatella Sciuto. The partnership will focus on establishing a joint research platform and an endowed professorship for microelectronics.

Sabine Herlitschka, CEO of Infineon Austria: "With the endowed professorship and research cooperation for microelectronics that we have initiated, we are creating a win-win situation: We are bringing together the know-how and innovative strength of Infineon in Austria and Italy with the excellent education of the Politecnico di Milano. As such, we are investing in the future and offering young talents from Italy exciting prospects in a key global industry. This is an excellent example of how teaching, joint research and business can work successfully across borders in the Alpe-Adria region. In this way, we are not only driving forward the semiconductor ecosystem in the individual countries and counteracting the shortage of skilled workers but also strengthening Europe as a whole in the key technology of microelectronics."

Joint Research Platform strengthens innovative power

Infineon Austria and the Politecnico di Milano have already been cooperating for ten years. By continuing this successful partnership, Infineon is contributing to the education of highly qualified students and graduates in technology and natural sciences. To this end, the existing Joint Research Center at the Politecnico, which was established in 2019, is now being put on an even broader footing with a **Joint Research Platform**: New projects are being worked on in interdisciplinary research groups. Among others, the focus will be on the hardware development of radio frequency (RF) technologies, sensor system solutions, algorithms and software development including artificial intelligence (AI) supported approaches to implement system prototypes that are used, for example, in driver assistance systems, connectivity and security systems. On the other hand, various research and development departments within

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Infineon can utilize the multidisciplinary skills of the students. In addition, the agreement includes the **establishment of scholarships, the expansion of courses and investments in laboratory infrastructure.**

Donatella Sciuto, Rector Politecnico di Milano: "At Politecnico di Milano, we recognize the critical importance of fostering cooperation with industry in strategic fields such as semiconductors. Our long-standing tradition of cooperation with Infineon, now turning into a Joint Research Platform, is a testament to our commitment to advancing technology and nurturing the next generation of engineers and researchers in a strategic field that encompasses a wide array of technologies, from consumer electronics to automotive systems, to renewable energies. The ability to innovate and manufacture semiconductors in Europe is crucial. Fostering robust industry-academia partnerships is more important than ever to ensure a competitive edge on the global stage."

Endowed professorship in microelectronics

Through the **endowed professorship in microelectronics** funded by Infineon and the implementation of the joint research platform, it succeeds in driving excellent academic teaching as well as an outstanding ecosystem for microelectronics. Past and ongoing research shows the success: in recent years, specific research results reached by PhD graduates have been then productized and related patents registered. With the continuation of the partnership between Infineon and the Politecnico, up to **20 PhD students** will work in various research projects in the future.

Alessandro Matera, Managing Director Infineon Italy: "These figures speak for themselves and for the proven successful cooperation with the Politecnico di Milano. I am delighted that we can now further expand this path. This intensive exchange between educational establishments and industry is essential for innovative solutions to many pressing issues of the future. In addition to the cross-border cooperation between Infineon in Austria and Italy with the Politecnico di Milano, Infineon Group recognizes a huge potential in Italy itself in research and development proven by the development our R&D sites in Pavia and Padua. For this reason, we support also other collaborations with Politecnico like the "Girls@POLIMI" program, which awards STEM scholarships and research contracts for artificial intelligence topics to women."

About Politecnico di Milano

Founded in 1863, Polimi is the largest school of Architecture, Design and Engineering in Italy, with three main campuses located in Milan, and campuses based in Cremona, Lecco, Mantova, Piacenza, and in China, Xi'an.
Politecnico di Milano is organized into twelve departments, responsible for planning of the research strategies, and four schools, responsible for the organization of education.
In the QS World University Rankings 2025 Politecnico di Milano confirms its position in the world's top 150, ranking 111th in the world and first in Italy. In the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024 Politecnico di Milano is among the top universities in the world in all three specific areas: 23rd in Engineering, 7th in Architecture and 7th in Design.
Thanks to a strong internationalization policy, several study programs are taught entirely in English, attracting an ever-increasing number of talented international students from more

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than 160 countries. Research is carried out in over 250 laboratories and large infrastructures. Strategic research mainly concerns the space, digital, H.P.C. & Quantum, fintech, society, life sciences, agritech, green deal and mobility sectors.

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About Infineon Austria
Infineon Technologies Austria AG is a subsidiary of Infineon Technologies AG, a global semiconductor leader in power systems and IoT. Semiconductors are essential for mastering the energy-related challenges of our time and helping to shape the digital transformation. Infineon's microelectronics drive decarbonization and digitalization and enable groundbreaking solutions for green and efficient energy, clean and safe mobility as well as a smart and secure IoT.

Infineon Austria pools competencies for research and development, production as well as global business responsibility. The head office is in Villach, with further branches in Graz, Klagenfurt, Linz, Innsbruck and Vienna. With 5,977 employees (including around 2,500 in research and development) from 78 nations, the company generated revenue of EUR 4.8 billion in the 2024 fiscal year (ending 30 September). With research expenditure of 686 million euros, Infineon Austria is the strongest research company in Austria.

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