

## Press Release

### **Infineon Austria: Exhibition and special edition of the “Kärnten Card” to mark the end of the 50th anniversary**

*Villach, 15 November 2021* - On the occasion of its 50th anniversary, Infineon has implemented a wide range of activities for employees, cooperation partners and companions. With the end of the anniversary year in October, Infineon celebrates its conclusion with two highlights: the opening of an exhibition under the motto "**EXPLORE** Infineon Austria" and a special edition of the “Kärnten Card” for employees.

#### **EXPLORE - Discover Infineon**

In the foyer of the Infineon reception building in Villach, technical highlights from the last five decades can be viewed as part of a standing exhibition: Successful products and applications that show how Infineon has shaped microelectronics from Austria can be found alongside historical microelectronic components that made these developments possible in the first place. The spectrum ranges from the first diodes to the 300-mm thin wafer, from the first memory chip to processors for future quantum computers. Historical information alternates with interesting multimedia insights, an interactive touch screen and holograms allow visitors to delve deeper into the world of Infineon and semiconductors. At [www.infineon.com/50years](http://www.infineon.com/50years) it is still possible to read about exciting events from the last 50 years.

Sabine Herlitschka invites everyone to visit the exhibition: "The future has its origins. I am very pleased that with this exhibition we are spanning an arc from the beginnings to the future of Infineon in Austria and especially in Villach. In this way, we are showing the development of the company as well as of microelectronics itself. I cordially invite everyone to take a look at the exhibition, which is open to the public, and discover our big world of very small things."

#### **Kärnten Card in exclusive Infineon design**

Approximately 4,600 Carinthian employees and temporary workers can look forward to a Kärnten Card for the winter season 2021/22 at the end of the anniversary year. The special thing about it: such a cooperation with a special

design was realized for the first time with Kärnten Card. The card has been available since the beginning of November for over 40 destinations such as thermal spas, mountain railways and many other leisure activities.

Oliver Heinrich, CFO Infineon Austria: "We have been in Carinthia for 50 years. What could be better than to let our employees experience Carinthia in all its diversity as a thank you and birthday present. As an international company, we would like to strengthen our regional ties and thus also the regional leisure and tourism businesses. "

Anton Fasching, Managing Director Kärnten Card: "I am very pleased that Infineon is bringing Carinthia even more strongly into the company. With the design of our own card, we have also broken new ground. For the many international professionals, but also for Carinthian employees, there are numerous opportunities and excursion destinations to get to know Carinthia and discover new things."

### **50 Years of the Villach Site - 50 Years of Infineon in Austria**

On October 1, 1970, Siemens started the production of electronic components in Villach in a rented building with 24 employees. Glass and plastic diodes for the then new color televisions and other consumer electronics were manufactured by hand. The current location in Siemensstraße was occupied in spring 1973. In 1999, the Siemens semiconductor division became Infineon Technologies AG. The former diode assembly plant developed from an extended workbench into one of the most modern semiconductor locations in Europe and currently the company with the most research in Austria. On 17 September, the new high-tech chip factory for power electronics was opened in Villach.

### **About Infineon Austria**

Infineon Technologies Austria AG is a group subsidiary of Infineon Technologies AG, a world-leading provider of semiconductor solutions that make life easier, safer and greener. Microelectronics from Infineon reduce the energy consumption of consumer electronics, domestic appliances and industrial facilities. They make a major contribution to the convenience, security and sustainability of vehicles, and enable secure transactions in the Internet of Things.

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 and Vienna. With 4,517 employees from around 70 countries (including 1,960 in research and development), in the financial year

2020 (ending in September) the company achieved a turnover of € 3.1 billion. With a research expenditure of 498 million euros, Infineon Austria is one of the strongest research company in Austria.

Further information at [www.infineon.com/austria](http://www.infineon.com/austria)

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