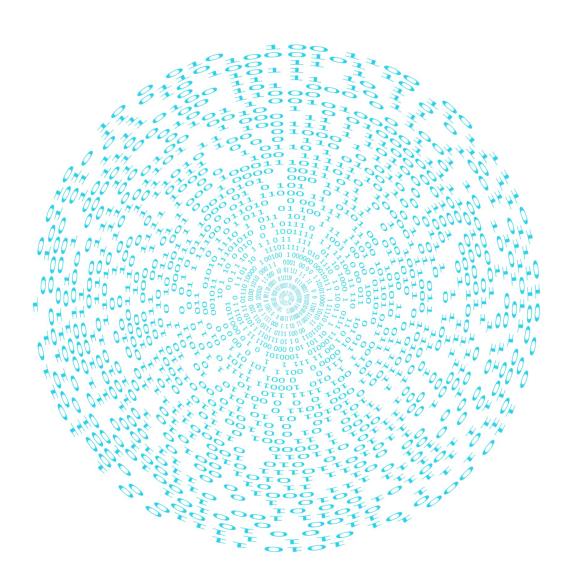
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APAC Semiconductor Industry Trends

Executive Summary

Development of semiconductor companies

- In 2023, the global semiconductor market faced significant challenges, but we expect the market will rebound in 2024 due to the recovery of downstream demand.
- Nearly half of semiconductor companies remain optimistic on future growth, believing that the Asia-Pacific market will accelerate growth in the next 3-5 years, and it is expected that corporate revenue will increase by more than 10%.
- More than 75% of semiconductor enterprises have begun digital transformation or have transformation
 plans in place. However, changes in operating models, upgrading of existing systems and lack of talent are the
 main challenges faced by enterprises in their digital transformation journey.
- Considering market condition, **companies are relatively conservative about potential mergers and acquisitions.** The main purpose of M&A is to obtain the technology to enter new markets. In addition, companies also face supply disruptions.
- In the future, semiconductor companies will **focus on investment in R&D, supply chain stability, and talent training.**
 - Geopolitics and costs are the main challenges to supply chain stability. **Most semiconductor companies** have adjusted their supply chains to analyze and reduce risks. 50% of companies have adopted automation/intelligent solutions to improve supply chain visibility.
 - Companies are concerned about supply chain stability and talent capacity; **big data, machine learning and cloud computing technologies** are utilized to manage these risks.
 - Companies choose to focus on **employee career path planning and skill development to retain talent** to cope with the impact of lack of talent on project progress and increased costs.



Due to the inflation and weak demand from end-markets, the global semiconductor market is expected to decline in 2023, but strong rebound is expected in 2024



Challenging 2023

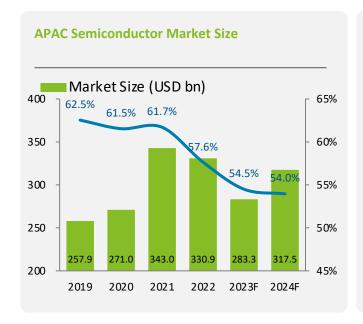
- The growth of global semiconductor industry has been relatively weak, due to the increasing inflation and weakening demand in end markets, particularly those relying on consumer spending.
- While discrete devices are expected to maintain singledigit growth in 2023, other categories such as optoelectronics, sensors, and actuators are expected to experience negative growth.

Strong market rebound expected in 2024

- The global semiconductor market is forecasted to surge by 13.1% in 2024, due to the demand recovery from downstream demand and continued growth in demand for generative AI products and power discrete devices.
- In addition, the overall demand for electronic devices is expected to increase due to the growing expectation of economic recovery.

Sources: WSTS, Deloitte Analysis

APAC region contributes to >50% of global semiconductor industry revenue



Sources: WSTS, Government public information, Deloitte Analysis

APAC's leading position in global semiconductor industry

- In 2022, APAC region accounted for 57.6% of global semiconductor industry.
- Among the top 15 global semiconductor companies, four companies come from APAC

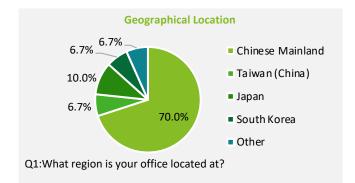
China is the world's largest semiconductor equipment market

 In 2022, Chinese mainland's semiconductor equipment sales accounted for 26% of global semiconductor equipment sales, and Taiwan (China) accounted for 25% of global semiconductor equipment sales.

Challenging market environment in the region

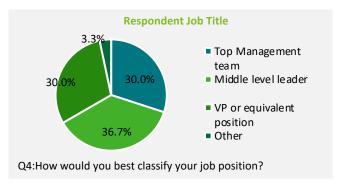
- Rising geopolitical tensions, slow post-pandemic recovery, high inflationary pressures, and demand fluctuations resulted in a slowdown in the growth of the semiconductor market in APAC
- As a result, the region's share in global market has been continuously declining since 2021.

Deloitte's joint survey with GSA covered enterprises from the semiconductor value chain in Asia

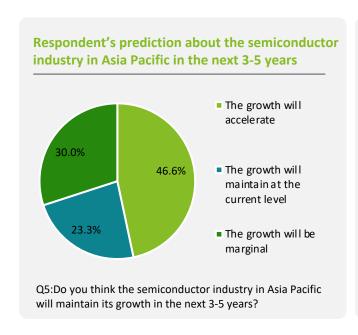


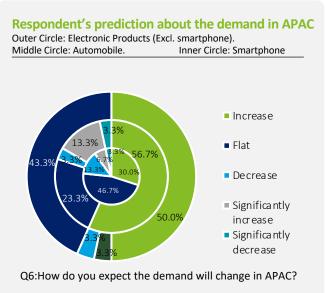






Despite the market challenges, semiconductor players are optimistic about future growth – close to 50% of the respondents believe the Asian market growth will accelerate in the next 3-5 years



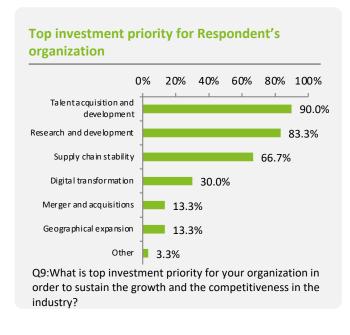


~50% of the companies expect annual revenue growth above 10%, while new product and solution development is the key measure to achieve the growth target



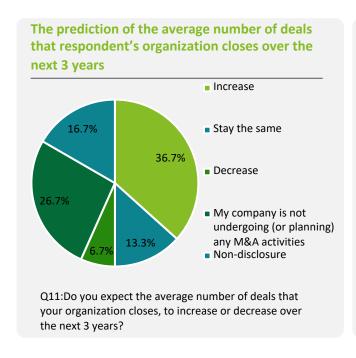


Talent development and R&D and supply chain stability are the top investment priorities; but companies still have significant concerns about the uncertainty of global environment and competitive threats





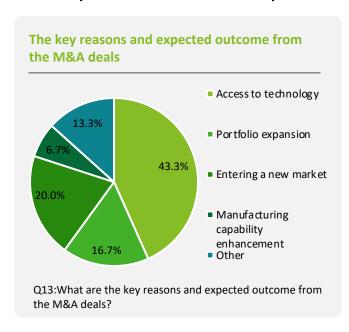
With due consideration to the market environment, companies are relatively conservative about potential M&A activities





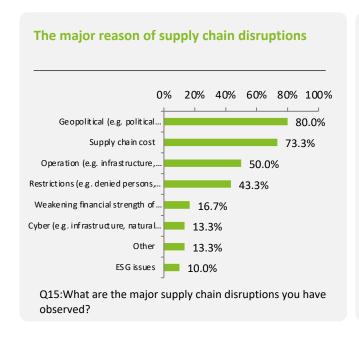
operating primarily in foreign markets?

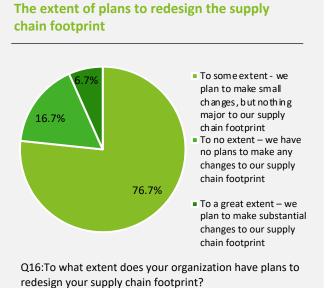
The key M&A purposes are to acquire desired technologies and portfolio, and to enter a new market; companies are also experiencing supply disruptions





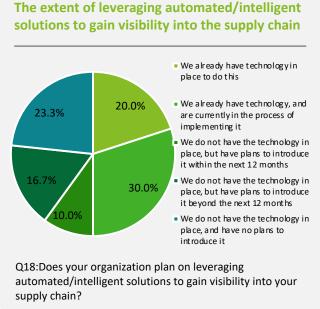
Geopolitics and cost are the key supply chain challenges, and most companies will adopt small and cautious adjustments to their supply chain footprint



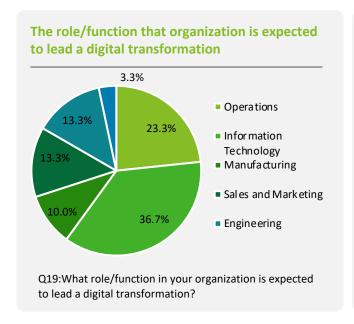


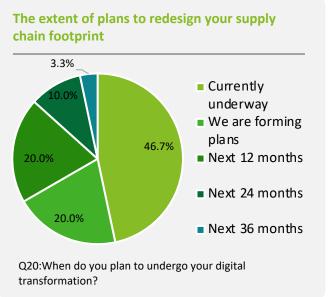
Companies are investing in supply chain solutions primarily to analyze and mitigate risks; 50% of the companies already adopted solutions



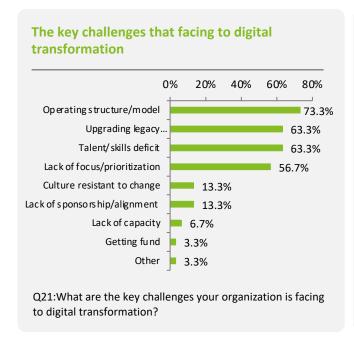


IT and operations are the key owners of digital transformation; >75% of the companies have either started digital transformation or made their redesign plans



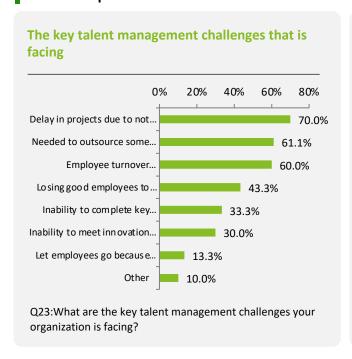


Companies are facing challenges of operating model, upgrading current system/process and lack of talent, while a consistent digitalization vision and top-down leadership intervention are crucial to be successful



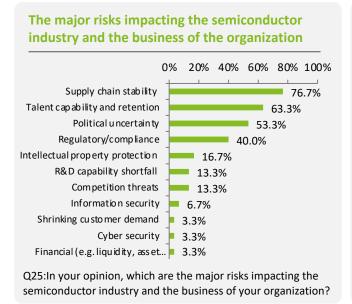


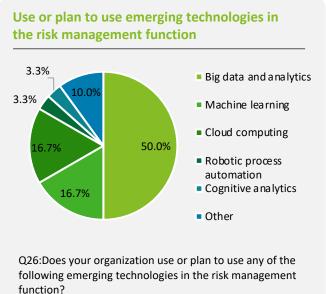
Due to the lack of qualified talent, companies have to delay project and outsource jobs which impact the achievement of goal and increases costs; to retain talent, companies are focusing on providing clear career roadmap and investing in skill development.





Companies have concerns supply chain stability and talent capacity; big data analytics, machine learning and cloud computing technologies are considered to be helpful in managing these risks





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