

# Infineon names EBV Elektronik Distributor of the Year 2001

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Infineon recognizes EBV's sales performance and demand creation strategy

Global semiconductor manufacturer Infineon Technologies AG today announced EBV Elektronik as its European Distributor of the Year 2001. EBV has captured this honor for the second year in a row for its excellent overall performance.

"EBV was again a major contributor to Infineon's strong growing distribution business in 2001," said Josef Calcagno, Vice President World Wide Distribution - Infineon. EBV was able, in the very difficult environment of last year, to grow its sales by more than 30% and became, for the first time, the number one distributor in Infineon's European network. This outstanding result -- and the reliable and successful relationship our companies have built -- deserves recognition. It's a great pleasure for Infineon to present this award to EBV."

Patrick Zammit, President of EBV, thanked Infineon for the honors and the appreciation: "I am very proud that EBV has once again been recognized as Infineon's Distributor of the Year.

This recognition was all the more important, as 2001 proved to be the most difficult year for the semiconductor industry and its distribution partners, worldwide. We were able to further grow our high level of sales for the Infineon portfolio and at the same time create many new business opportunities."

With regards to the tremendous success the business oriented award means for EBV, Zammit added: "I would also like to thank our central and local teams who have put a lot of effort in supporting Infineon's portfolio throughout Europe, on the technical as well as on the logistical side of our service. The people of EBV will always make a big difference, not just towards customers, but also towards suppliers."

About EBV Elektronik

EBV ELEKTRONIK, an Avnet Company, was founded in 1969 and is a leading European semiconductor distribution specialist. EBV maintained its successful strategy of personal commitment to customers, excellent services, highly motivated & technically competent people, and finally, a strong focus on a limited number of long-term semiconductor partners. EBV employs more than 750 people, including 87 Field Application Engineers in 50 locations and 24 countries across Europe, Israel and South Africa. The technical services offered by EBV are fulfilled by Avnet Logistics, which provides warehouse operations, value-added services and product modification services to EBV's customers. The Avnet Logistics Programming-Service-Center in Poing, Germany, is the largest in Europe and is fully CECC,

QS9000 and ISO 9002 certified. More information about EBV ELEKTRONIK can be found at

<http://www.ebv.com>

#### About Infineon

Infineon Technologies AG, Munich, Germany, offers semiconductor and system solutions for applications in the wired and wireless communications markets, for security systems and smartcards, for the automotive and industrial sectors, as well as memory products. With a global presence, Infineon operates in the United States from San Jose, California, in the Asia-Pacific region from Singapore and in Japan from Tokyo. In the fiscal year 2001 (ending September), the company achieved sales of Euro 5.67 billion with about 33,800 employees worldwide. Infineon is listed on the DAX index of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol: IFX). Further information is available at

<http://www.infineon.com>

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