

HR challenges in the semiconductor industry:

A "Personnel Roadmap" for the new European Electronics Strategy

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- 10 bln € investment from European Union
- 100 bln € investment from the industry
- Target: 20 % worldwide market share (2012: 9,3%)
- Three clusters: Grenoble, Eindhoven, Dresden
- Three-axis-strategy:
 - Cheaper chips: transition to 450-mm wafer
 - Faster chips: "more Moore"
 - Smarter chips: "more than Moore"

=> 250.000 new jobs in the industry!

Where should they come from?

Remember the upturn in 1998-2001?

- Launch of "silicon saxony"
- High volumes invested in capital equipment

BUT:

The HR planning was not adequate to the investments, i.e. not timed and tuned with the capital spending

- => Augmented pressure from chip manufacturers (f. e. staff on-site)
- => Companies rushed into recruitment process
- => Employment of "not-semi" qualified staff
- => Massive increase of salary claims

What can be learned?

- Parallel and strategic planning of investments in both human resources AND capital equipment
- Strong long-term cooperation with HR consultants and recruiters specialized in Semi
- Set up of a "training-on-the-job" program
- Observation of competitors' HR strategies:
 - Be first in contact with "High Potentials" and "Big Shots"
 - Improve your HR Development Program
 - Invest and cooperate long-term with universities

What should (and can) be done?

- Develop and pursue a "Strategic Personnel Roadmap"
- Identify and define your "must have" openings via specific Job Descriptions
- Start NOW with the hiring process to fill in these openings with qualified people
- Improve your tools to enhance a long-term, loyal and trusted working relationship between company and employees



Thank you for your attention!



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