

Press release

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Siltronic AG supports appeal by Saxon companies for the expansion of renewable energy

Freiberg, September 17, 2024 – Together with 59 other leading Saxon companies, Siltronic AG is supporting the appeal "Companies for Saxony's Future" for the resolute expansion of renewable energies. The aim of the initiative is to secure the competitiveness of Saxony's economy and to strengthen the state as an attractive region for companies.

"We are a leading global manufacturer of hyperpure silicon wafers for the semiconductor industry and sustainability is deeply rooted in our corporate DNA. Our ambitious climate goals are one example: We aim to increase our use of renewable energy to 60 percent by 2030 and 100 percent by 2045, with the goal of achieving near-zero emissions. To achieve this, we need the necessary infrastructure and sufficient green electricity at competitive prices," explained the Freiberg site manager of Siltronic AG, Dr. Christian Heedt, at a press conference on the publication of the appeal "Companies for Saxony's Future - The Free State Needs the Energy Transition".

With this paper, the companies are addressing the newly formed Saxon state government. In it, they refer to the need for a stable and sustainable energy supply through the expansion of renewable energies and the necessary infrastructure. "Consistent action today will sustainably and successfully position Saxony as a business region in international competition in the future," continues Heedt.

The signatories of the joint appeal are also calling on the Saxon state government to strengthen political support for the energy transition and drive forward the expansion of the grid. There



needs to be broad social acceptance for renewable energies. According to the paper, this is crucial to achieve the climate targets in Saxony and beyond and to ensure the competitiveness of Saxony as a business region.

The initiators include companies from numerous sectors, including steel, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, paper, semiconductors, energy services, municipal utilities, and automotive suppliers. In total, the companies account for more than 12,000 jobs. The Dresden and Chemnitz Chambers of Industry and Commerce are also supporting the appeal.

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As one of the leading wafer manufacturers, Siltronic is globally oriented and operates production sites in Asia, Europe, and the USA. Silicon wafers are the foundation of the modern semiconductor industry and the basis for chips in all electronic applications – from computers and smartphones to electric cars and wind turbines. The international company is highly customer-oriented and focuses on quality, precision, innovation, and growth. Siltronic AG employs around 4,500 people worldwide and has been listed in the Prime Standard of the German Stock Exchange since 2015. Siltronic AG shares are included in both the MDAX and TecDAX stock market indices.