

ASM Announces New Executive Scientist for Transistor and Capacitor Products

BILTHOVEN, The Netherlands (Feb. 04, 2003) – ASM International N.V. (NASDAQ: ASMI and Euronext Stock Exchange in Amsterdam: ASM) and its subsidiary ASM America announced today the addition of Dr. Glen D. Wilk as the new executive scientist for transistor and capacitor products.

Wilk brings more than 15 years of research experience with renowned proficiency in high-k gate dielectrics to ASM. As the new executive scientist for transistor and capacitor products, Wilk is charged with leading ASM in active and developing areas of research including performance and integration issues for scaled transistor and capacitor stacks.

“We are very pleased to have someone of Mr. Wilk’s caliber join ASM,” said Henk de Waard, Business Unit Manager Transistor & Capacitor Products at ASM. “As one of the premier high-k experts in the world, he will help ASM fulfill our technology roadmap and bring cutting-edge process solutions to the semiconductor industry.”

A recognized authority on high-k dielectrics, Wilk has written several review articles and book chapters on the topic, and has authored or co-authored more than 30 published articles, most of which focus on high-k dielectrics. He also holds more than 20 patents in semiconductor technology. He received his bachelor’s degree in Materials Science and Engineering from Cornell University, and received his master’s and doctorate degrees in Applied Physics from Harvard University.

Before accepting the position with ASM, Wilk conducted extensive research in his technical staff positions at Bell Laboratories/Lucent Technologies, Agere Systems and Texas Instruments.

About ASM

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