

SHANGHAI, Feb. 9, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- ARM and SMIC (NYSE: [SMI](#) ; SEHK: 981), China's largest and most advanced semiconductor foundry, today announced an agreement to offer the ARM® Artisan® physical IP platform for SMIC's 28nm poly SiON (PS) process to provide high-performance, high-density and low-power technologies for SoC designs.

Under the agreement, ARM will provide a comprehensive physical IP platform for advanced process technology that supports a wide range of consumer applications targeting the fast-growing smartphone, tablet, wireless and digital home markets.

"SMIC is pleased to offer access to the popular ARM Artisan standard cells and next-generation memory compilers," said Dr. Tianshen Tang, senior vice president of SMIC's Design Service Center. "Strengthening our collaboration with ARM enables optimized implementation of cost- and power-sensitive SoCs for our customers."

"ARM Artisan standard cells and memory compilers deliver the features, quality and rigorous silicon validation that customers demand to achieve fast time-to-market," said Dipesh Patel, executive vice president and general manager, Physical Design Group, ARM. "Extending our collaboration with SMIC on the 28nm PS process demonstrates ARM's commitment to provide the best SoC implementations at leading foundries."

ARM Physical IP Platform

The ARM Artisan physical IP platform for SMIC's 28nm poly SiON (PS) process provides the building blocks to implement a wide range of performance and area optimized, low-power SoCs designs. ARM's silicon-proven IP platform offers a comprehensive set of memory compilers, standard cells and logic, and general-purpose interface products that meet the most demanding performance and power requirements for mobile communications and computing.

ARM's standard cell libraries and memory compilers incorporate multi-channel and mixed Vt features to enable a wide performance and power spectrum taking advantage of the performance and power range of SMIC's leading-edge poly SiON process. These features ensure that power budgets for performance-critical SoC designs can be met.

About SMIC

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation ("SMIC"; NYSE: [SMI](#) ; SEHK: 981) is one of the leading semiconductor foundries in the world and the largest and most advanced foundry in mainland

China

, providing integrated circuit (IC) foundry and technology services at 0.35-micron to 40-nanometer. Headquartered in

Shanghai, China

, SMIC has a 300mm wafer fabrication facility (fab) and a 200mm mega-fab in Shanghai

, a 300mm mega-fab in

Beijing

, a 200mm fab in

Tianjin

, and a 200mm fab project under development in

Shenzhen

. SMIC also has customer service and marketing offices in the U.S.,

Europe

,

Japan

, and

Taiwan

, and a representative office in
Hong Kong
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In addition to the information contained in this document, you should also consider the information contained in our other filings with the SEC, including our annual report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 15, 2013, especially in the "Risk Factors" section and such other documents that we may file with the SEC or SEHK from time to time, including on Form 6-K. Other unknown or unpredictable factors also could have material adverse effects on our future results, performance or achievements. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this document may not occur. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date stated or, if no date is stated, as of the date of this document.

About ARM ARM designs the technology that is at the heart of advanced digital products, from wireless, networking and consumer entertainment solutions to imaging, automotive, security and storage devices. ARM's comprehensive product offering includes RISC microprocessors, graphics processors, video engines, enabling software, cell libraries, embedded memories, high-speed connectivity products, peripherals and development tools. Combined with comprehensive design services, training, support and maintenance, and the company's broad Partner community, they provide a total system solution that offers a fast, reliable path to market for leading electronics companies. Find out more about ARM by following these links:

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