



STARCHIP has selected LFoundry to jointly develop secure microcontrollers solutions

MEYREUIL, May 5th, 2011- StarChip, expert in designing and qualifying Smart Card IC, announced today that it has selected [LFoundry](#), the European specialist of foundry services, to develop state of the art secure microcontrollers solutions to address ID and Payment markets

Building on [StarChip](#) experience in Smart Card ICs, embedded security solutions and certifications, and on Foundry experience in producing competitive secure ICs in Europe, especially with his new technology LF110, the 2 Companies aim to deliver secure ICs solutions that will fit with the global requirements of payment and ID markets

In addition, StarChip will have the capabilities to support LFoundry's Customers to secure and certify their own products, with a full range of secure IPs and local services which can be proposed.

The offer includes security co-processors, security subsystems, security modules and cryptographic cores that could be customized for different applications (mobile, automotive, networking, content protection, industrial...). StarChip will support customers with its expertise for IC certification (Common Criteria, EMVCo certification...). The 2 companies are addressing the increasing demand for security and certification and aim to be ranked among the European leaders of providing high reliable embedded security solutions. Through this partnership, the 2 companies can offer high guarantees on the security chain thanks to their geographical proximity and to their historical experiences.

We are glad to combine StarChip embedded security expertise in design and industrialization with LFoundry expertise in manufacturing secure IC. The objective is to be prepared with a complete ecosystem to address the growing demand for embedded security in different applications said Christian Dupuy, COO of StarChip.

The combination of StarChip expertise in secure IC development and LFoundry manufacturing capabilities in Europe will be a good answer to those Customers willing to get closer to their silicon suppliers , looking for stronger commitment to deliver, while remaining technologically and economically competitive , said Jean-Pierre Delesse LFoundry-Rousset President

About StarChip®:

StarChip® is a dynamic semiconductor company that enables customers to directly benefit from its unique, optimized value chain system. We design and qualify products for mass production, then license our solutions for purchase directly by our customers through qualified foundries and test houses.

StarChip® products are based on state-of-the art, flash-based 32-bit architectures. They are designed to offer maximum integration, providing support for embedded, innovative security technologies, analog functionality, and connectivity and control interfaces. The result is a flexible set of solutions that can easily meet the requirements of a wide variety of markets, including smart card and security, consumer, automotive, and industrial applications.

About LFoundry:

LFoundry is a specialist for foundry services with manufacturing facilities in France and in Germany, and with strong historical experience and expertise on security applications
The company has the right scale and ability to create trust, to deliver best in class services and to invest into its customer success.

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