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The larger substrate used in the line compared to Gen 6, which mostly makes panels for smartphones, means it is more economical to make larger panels aimed at tablets and PCs.

Samsung Display's co-project to develop a full-cut, vertical deposition machine optimized for a Gen 8 line with Japan's Ulvac had been aimed at single stack OLED from the start at the design concept stages, according to sources.

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The first plant at the site will produce 60,000 tonnes of engineering plastic compounds a year for the automotive and electronics industries, the company said in a statement.

It will be supplied entirely by renewable electricity, it added.

The company expects to invest up to 10 billion euros (\$9.95 billion) in the site, which will be its third-largest globally when complete in 2030.

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Since the debut of HyperRAM, technologies and use cases have evolved, although the IoT has been a driving force for lower-power memory innovation over the past decade. With HyperRAM 3.0, Infineon is aiming the high-bandwidth, low-pin-count pSRAM-based volatile memory at applications requiring expansion RAM memory, including video buffering, factory automation, automotive vehicle-to-everything (V2X), and what it calls the artificial intelligence of things (AIoT).

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"It's the next big step for Wolfspeed to be able to support not just our own internal needs, but also the needs of the burgeoning silicon carbide industry," Rex Felton, Wolfspeed's SVP of global operations, told EE Times. "It's going to be a factory like no other. It's silicon carbide (SiC), the second-hardest material known."

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Perhaps its most visible platform play currently is the Qualcomm Drive Platform. It enables a wide array of functions in cars and eventually autonomous vehicles – from infotainment to drive train components to all-important connectivity. Qualcomm has partnered with nearly every major player in vehicle manufacturing, as well as with many infrastructure enabling companies. And while deployments in cars sometimes can take years from the start of engineering until consumers can buy the results, Qualcomm is well on its way to being a key player that will benefit for an extended period of time.