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Joel Camarda is an industry consultant, concentrating on manufacturing operations management and is also a Sr. Member Technical Staff for Amonix, a leading CPV system supplier. He well known in the international packaging community via his work history of 30+years in the USA and Asia. He has been active in IMAPS and is an advisor for MEPTEC. Joel has held several executive management positions: VP Operations at Sipex/Exar, President of K&S Flip Chip Technology, and Director of Worldwide Assembly and Packaging at Cypress Semiconductor. He started his career at National Semiconductor.

Jeffrey C. Demmin is the Director of OEM Marketing at STATS ChipPAC, a leading provider of semiconductor assembly and test services. Before that he worked at Tessera Technologies in marketing, corporate development, and IP acquisition. He was previously the Editor-in-Chief of Advanced Packaging magazine and Senior Technical Editor of Solid State Technology magazine. His career started in semiconductor package design at National Semiconductor, and a sequence of engineering roles at nCHIP, Seagate, and Textron followed that. Jeff earned a bachelor's degree in Physics from Princeton University and a master's degree in Materials Science from Stanford University. He has been awarded five patents and a gold medal from the American Society of Business Publication Editors (ASPBE).

Phil Marcoux is one of many SMT and IC Packaging Pioneers. In 2007 he was named "The Father of US SMT" by the IPC. In 1981 he founded AWI, the first US Company devoted exclusively to SMT which was later acquired by SCI Systems. In 1992 he founded, ChipScale, one of the first Wafer level Packaging companies which developed a portfolio of over 36 patents. The patents are now the cornerstone of the camera modules commonly found in the current cell phones, computers, and games. Today Phil is an active Business Development consultant in the area of <.50 and 3D It packaging Infrastructure design, and assembly. Phil recently became Vice President and Managing Director of the Fab Owner's Association's (FOA) new Packaging and Test Section.

John Yuan Lin Xie, Ph.D. is currently Director of Packaging Technology R&D. He has been with Altera Corporation over 15 years where he leads the Packaging Technology Research and Development team at Altera. His responsibilities include interconnect and packaging technology research and development, new product development and introduction, 2.5D/3DIC integration design and manufacturing enablement, strategic supply chain development and strategic customer engagement. Prior to Altera, he was a technology development manager at Prolinx Labs. Corporation (San Jose, CA). Dr. Xie graduated from Department of Physics, Peking University, and holds a Ph.D. Degree in Physics from Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences and Post-Doctoral from Department of Physics, University of California at Berkeley and Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory. Dr. Xie has 28 published patents; and over 50 academic and technical publications.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Tim Olson is the founder and a board member of Deca Technologies. He served as Deca's President and CEO for the first four years prior to transitioning to the role of Chief Technology Officer in 2013.

Tim was previously Sr. Vice President of Research & Development and Emerging Technologies at Amkor when several breakthrough technologies were introduced including TMV™ PoP and FusionQuad™. During his tenure at Amkor from 2003 to 2009, Tim also managed the leadframe products and advanced modules businesses.

From 1997 to 2003, Tim held product, development and operations management roles within the equipment and factory control software industries where he was Executive Vice President of Products and Operations at Micro Component Technology and Vice President of the Systems Integration division of Fico b.v. During this time, Tim also served as Chairman of the SEMI International Test Assembly & Packaging committee and annual conference.

Tim began his career in semiconductors at Motorola where he worked from 1988 to 1997. From an initial role in manufacturing engineering he went on to lead the creation and implementation of PRISM, a highly automated semiconductor assembly and test operation which grew into a CEO model factory. During this time, Tim pioneered the use of 2D codes (predecessor of QR codes) and strip testing within the semi-conductor industry. He also developed several new packaging technologies serving the automotive and wireless communications industries.

Tim graduated magna cum laude from the University of North Dakota with bachelor's degrees in mechanical engineering and engineering management. Tim holds over a dozen issued United States patents relating to packaging, software, equipment, process and design.

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Edward S. Binkley, Ph.D. is currently the Chief Technical Officer of Promex Industries and has served in this capacity since joining the company in 2004. Prior to working at Promex, Dr. Binkley was a co-founder of Lightwave Microsystems, where his roles included Vice President of Technology and Facilities Manager. Prior to starting Lightwave, he spent 12 years at Raychem Corporation, working in the Advanced Packaging Systems group developing MCM fabrication processes and in Corporate Technology in both Menlo Park, CA and Swindon, UK. Dr. Binkley began his career at Western Electric's Engineering Research Center in Princeton, NJ, after completing his Ph.D. at UC Berkeley.

James Church is a Solutions Architect with the Zuken R&D Center in Milpitas CA. He is responsible for creating custom tool flows for advanced technology nodes and staying abreast of industry design trends. James worked previously as a Signal Integrity Engineer in Sun Microsystem's Workgroup Server Division and LSI Logic's DDR Memory Group focused on IO timing and power solutions. Subsequently he worked at EDA startup Optimal Corporation as an Applications Engineer supporting their electro-magnetic field solvers. James most recently worked as an IC design lead taping out custom chips for Rochester Electronics. James received his BS in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Jenny England is a principal engineer at Henkel Electronics Materials. Jenny holds a doctor degree in Chemical Engineering from the Ohio State University. Jenny currently works in technical service department supporting electronics material development. Before joining Henkel, Jenny worked for Bayer Material Science Polyurethane division as a senior associate scientist.

James G. Gandenberger has served as Vice President of Worldwide Operations & Foundry Business Unit at Micrel, Inc. since November 2007. From July 2002 to November 2007, he served as Vice President of Wafer Fab Operations. Mr. Gandenberger joined the Company in October 2000 as Managing Director of Wafer Fab Operations. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Gandenberger was employed by National Semiconductor Corporation from 1997 to 2000 as the Managing Director of Santa Clara Wafer Fabs. From 1994 to 1997, he was employed by Asyst Technologies where he held the position of Vice President of Sales and Marketing. From 1984 to 1994, Mr. Gandenberger served in a variety of positions at LSI Logic, where his last position was Director of Operations of the VLSI CMOS Division. He holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Saint Mary's College and an M.B.A from Golden Gate University.

Thomas Gregorich is Vice President of Package Technology at Micron. Micron has 3D products which use high-density TSV stacks in commercial production, as well as a wide-range of advanced package solutions using technologies such as ultra-thin 16-high die stacks. Previously Mr. Gregorich held Vice-President and Director-level positions at Broadcom, MediaTek and Qualcomm. While at Qualcomm he established the Package Engineering department and for 12 years led the development of Qualcomm's small form-factor package portfolio including NSP, CSP, BCC, QFN, POP and PIP. A large portion of the Qualcomm portfolio is 3D and utilizes both wire bond as well as flip chip interconnects. Prior to his position at Qualcomm, Mr. Gregorich worked for Motorola and had assignments in the Semiconductor Products Sector and Corporate Research, both in the United States as well as in Japan and China. Mr. Gregorich has a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Bradley University, an MBA from Northern Illinois University and is a Senior Member of IEEE.

Jay Hayes has over 17 years of experience in wafer bumping serving as a technical sales resource for customers at IC Interconnect, Flip Chip International and Unisem. Jay is currently the Director of Business Development - Bumping and Flip Chip at Unisem.

Jenny Jiang is a Principal Engineer of SIPI at Altera packaging Department. Her primary focus is on high-speed high-performance Silicon/Package/Board co-design and technology development. Her responsibilities include package transceiver channel design; PDN noise and system jitter analysis. Prior to Altera, she was with Lucent Technologies and BigBear Networks, working on package SIPI and 40-Gbps transponder package design. She holds an MS degree from Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal in the area of RF and microwave technologies. She has authored and co-authored over 20 technical papers, and has over 10 published/pending patents.

Frank Juskey is a Senior Member of the Technical Staff of TriQuint Semiconductor's Advanced Technology Development Group. Frank is responsible for the development and implementation of the next generation of materials, processes, and equipment for the manufacturing of advanced IC packaging solutions. Frank has held positions as a Senior Member of the Technical Staff in IC Packaging with Motorola, Vice President of Technology Development for Amkor Technology, and Director of New Packaging Development for Advanced Interconnect Technology. Frank has been involved in the assembly of microelectronic devices ranging from extremely high volume devices for cell phone products to highly sophisticated electronic assemblies for industrial and military applications. He has extensive knowledge of surface mount technology equipment selection and use, development and evaluation of advanced IC packaging materials and processes, was intimately involved in the development of the BGA laminate IC packaging at Motorola, and at AIT lead the development of DFN packaging technology for RF applications. At both Amkor Technology and TriQuint Semiconductor he pioneered low cost system-in-package (SiP) assembly by combining all of these technologies into modules for size and cost reductions thereby increasing reliability for cell phone and networking applications. Frank has 43 issued patents in electronic assembly applications and has published over 40 articles in major trade publications and technical symposia on advanced electronics manufacturing processes and material applications.

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SESSION ONE

Wafer Fab, Packaging, and Test – Supply Chain Coordination as a Critical Capability

Session Chair
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Fab Owners Association (FOA)

Wafer fabs are expecting more from their package and test resources. IC packaging is continuing to be complicated, capital intensive, and unpredictable. The number of different package types marketed in the last ten years exceeds the number of different types deployed in the entire prior forty years of the semiconductor industry.

Due to pressures from the wafer device makers, semiconductor packaging is taking on features similar to the more capital intensive front-end wafer processing. This results in common challenges (and opportunities) for the entire semiconductor wafer, packaging, and test supply chain. The speakers in this session will help sort out the issues and suggest solutions where they can.

Morphing the Semiconductor Outsourcing's Business Model: Wafer Level Packaging

Jim Walker Research Vice President of the Semiconductor Manufacturing and Emerging Technologies Group Gartner

To date, the packaging realm has mostly been the leader in the use of the vertical dimension to produce the "Moore than Moore" result. Die and package stacking, multichip packages, wafer bumping and redistribution have become mainstream technologies to reduce size and form factor, while providing improved speed and performance. However, as leading edge packaging processes continue to become more wafer-like in nature, the overlap with foundry processes has become quite muddled and somewhat competitive. Have the limits on packaging been reached? Should it really now be done as part of wafer fab? Or, will packaging technologies continue to provide the cost-effective solutions that it has done for the past 50 years? These questions and more will be addressed, as in-the-end, it will be the customer who really decides the answers.

Supply Chain Benchmarking Now Focused on Packaging

Ariel Meyuhas COO The MAX Group

We all know that the semiconductor supply chain is becoming more and more intertwined. The Fab Owners Association (FOA) represents executives responsible for the manufacture of semiconductor devices from the bare silicon through to the shipment of the final product to the customer, so the smooth functioning of the supply chain is a top priority for us.

Increasingly, the Fab Owners are as concerned about packaging and test as they are with other parts of the supply chain. The MAX Group has been the primary benchmark administrator for the front-end processes for the past seven years as part of the FOA and Sematech. At the request of a number of FOA members, this year marks the first year in which packaging and test have been added and are a primary focus of our benchmarking work.

This presentation will review the methodology and tools employed to conduct such a benchmark, as well as the type of information the device makers are seeking. One key goal of this presentation is to invite participation by the members of the packaging and test community, such as the OSATs, equipment makers, material suppliers, design/analysis software providers, etc., to help refine and add to the benchmarking effort so it becomes a relevant and beneficial study for the industry. All parties have a mutual interest in making this effort successful – the future of the industry depends on it.

An IDM's Integration and Partnership with the OSAT Supply Chain

James G. Gandenberger Vice President of Worldwide Operations & Foundry Business Unit Micrel, Inc.

Micrel, Inc. is a leading global manufacturer of IC solutions for the worldwide high performance linear, power, LAN, timing, and communications markets. The Company has its own wafer fabrication facility in San Jose CA., which also provides foundry services, including servicing the MEMS foundry customers. Currently, Micrel has more than 10,000 products, and ships in excess of 1 billion units annually. With its own domestic fab, Micrel has become unique in a market that has become increasingly fabless; these driving forces will be discussed. Micrel integrates its operations with a predominantly Asian OSAT supply chain, and with over 130 package types and multiple test platforms, this necessitates several suppliers. The Operations team applies best practices, but a difficult-to-predict market continues to push the limits. Rigorous performance criteria must be maintained with respect to cost, quality, cycle times, on time delivery. These topics, and the criteria for supplier partnerships and ongoing relationships, will be discussed.

SESSION TWO

Design Considerations for Advanced Package Development

Session Chair John Xie Altera Corporation

With the increased complexity of silicon in advanced process nodes, it is becoming more difficult to meet density, performance, and cost targets simultaneously. Optimizing the chip / package interface using the IC-PKG co-design concept is one of the critical processes in achieving product objectives. Meanwhile, IC-PKG co-design has also expanded beyond the chip / package interface – it goes deeper into silicon layers and extends to the PCB and system. This industry-wide trend puts a high demand on EDA tools and features, new design flows, new concepts in product architectures, and the knowledge and skills of designers of ICs, packages, and PCBs. This session will include speakers who will discuss the latest developments in design from the EDA community, IC companies, and the packaging industry.

Optimize Product Cost and Performance with System-level 3D Chip, Package, Board Co-Design

James Church
Solutions Architect, R&D Center
Zuken Inc.

The unique requirements of entry into new markets (automotive, wearable, IoT) is forcing companies to implement sophisticated package structures to realize the latest product platforms. To meet aggressive schedule and market requirements, engineering teams need to evolve from working in silos and within disconnected tool flows to new methodologies that enable them to collaborate across disciplines.

Using a system-level co-design approach in a 3D hierarchal design platform, engineers and architects are enabled to conduct path-finding studies and concurrent, detailed design of the chips, packages, and boards and access to analysis tools ensures designs are completed to meet electrical and physical and manufacturing specification. System-level co-design enables engineering teams to reduce time-to-market and product cost by eliminating frequent hand-offs in the design process and optimizing layer counts for RDL, interposer/substrates, packages, and PCBs.

Considerations in High-Speed High Performance Die-Package-Board Co-Design

Jenny Jiang Principal Engineer of SIPI Altera Corporation

This presentation addresses various challenges and considerations associated with high-speed serial link design. As data rates increase, the importance of assessing overall channel performance grows. Silicon-package-board co-design considers both frequency and time domain budgets. It is essential for robust implementation. The effective co-design helps accommodate anticipated channel degradation and achieve time-to-market goals. This presentation focuses on channel loss, material dispersion, cross talk and supply noise analysis in high speed serial link, and their contributions to system jitter degradation, which is a significant factor in the design of almost all communications links such as PCI Express, Ethernet, XAUI, Interlaken, etc.

Will IoT (Internet of Things) Drive 2.5/3D IC Revenue Growth and Change Our Lives?

Herb Reiter Founder eda2asic Consulting, Inc.

Forecasts for 50 Billion IoT devices by 2020 have captured the semiconductor industry's attention.

While a very broad range of possible IoT applications appears likely, very few specific technical requirements have been defined and agreed upon yet - except: 1) Security and privacy will be mandatory for IoT's success, and 2) Many heterogeneous functions (logic, memory, analog/RF, MEMS,...) will need to be combined, and 3) Low cost, low power and small form-factors will be key differentiators determining success.

The speaker will outline IoT market development, forecasts and expert opinions as well as ongoing intra- and intercompany efforts for more efficient communication and cooperation between humans and machines and project which impact this IoT trend will have on 2.5/3D IC revenues and, most importantly, on our work lives and leisure times.

KEYNOTE

Transforming Electronic Interconnect

Tim Olson Founder & CTO Deca Technologies

It begins and ends with us. As consumers, we're creating a tidal wave of demand for all things portable and connected. We hold in our hands the force that shapes the global electronics industry with smartphones overtaking computers as the largest semiconductor end market.

The implications are significant. From unfamiliar terms such as SoC disintegration to the blurring of lines within the supply chain, we'll examine the technology, capital and operational methods driving a transformation in electronic interconnect.

Spanning five orders of magnitude from 10's of nanometers at the transistor level to 100's of microns at the ball grid array (BGA) connections, electronic interconnect (EI) might best be characterized as the nervous system of an end appliance such as a smartphone. Within EI, traditional supply chain boundaries assign back end of line (BEOL) structures to the domain of wafer foundries operating in a range of 10's of nanometers to 10's of microns. First-level interconnect, or semiconductor packaging, is classically the purvey of semiconductor assembly and test service providers (SATS) working largely in the range of 10's to 100's of microns. Second-level interconnect, or classic board level assembly, is the responsibility of electronic manufacturing systems providers (EMS) who generally measure their work in 100's of microns or larger dimensions.

A few of the highest growth areas within El include wafer level chip scale packaging (WLCSP) and fan-out wafer level packaging (FO-WLP). These same technologies provide key building blocks for 2.5D and 3D architectures of the future while challenging traditional supply chain boundaries. For example, leading SATS have extended themselves into the domain of wafer fab processing while foundries have been extending their reach into the classic domain of SATs.

The transformation underway in electronic interconnect will redefine not only supply chain lines, but also the work of system architects, IC designers, packaging experts and many others in the years ahead.

SESSION THREE

Pushing the Envelope on IC Package Manufacturing

Session Chair Joel Camarda SemiOps

This session will concentrate on leading-edge process technologies -- the non-proprietary capabilities and associated the process, equipment, and material details.

Wire bonding is declared to be obsolete at least every 10 years (via TAB, flip chip, wafer-level packaging, etc.), but it still remains the dominant interconnect. Beyond conventional gold and aluminum wire, we have seen copper wire, silver wire, insulated wire, longer wires, thinner wires, finer pitch bonding, multilevel bonding, and so on. How is this accomplished? Die bumping has also progressed consistently for many years with greater densities and process improvements. Solder bumps have yielded to finer pitched copper columns for many applications. What have been the key process enablers, and where is it headed? Substrate line, pitch, and via densities have also continued to advance. What are the key process enablers in materials and equipment?

Silver Sintering for Power Electronics

Jenny (Jiong) England Principal Technical Service Engineer Henkel Electronic Materials

The drive to power electronics with the move to hybrid and electrical vehicles is pushing the industry to develop sustainable interconnection solutions for higher power and longer life time performance. The power modules operating temperatures are increasing from 150 to 200°C and possibly 250°C in the near future. Die attach interconnection by silver sintering is one of the most considered solution to meet the high temperature and long life time requirements. This presentation will discuss the current state of the art silver sintering technology and its performance under passive and active cycling conditions.

The Future of Packaging -The Relevance of Wire Bonding

Ivy Qin Process Director Kulicke & Soffa Industries, Inc.

Advancements in electronic packaging performance and cost have historically been driven by higher integration primarily provided by wafer FAB node shrinks that have followed the well-known Moore's law. However, the tremendously increasing cost of building new FABs will soon cause the performance/cost improvements achieved by moving to smaller technology nodes to become negative. This has initiated the idea of More-than-Moore and vigorous R&D for greater performance through packaging. Substantial performance improvements have been realized through wire bonded packages such as multi-tier packages, stacked die and stacked package-on-package technologies. On the cost side, the recent revolution in the use of copper wire bonding to replace gold has significantly reduced packaging costs. The most recent advances in wire bonding has improved fine pitch Cu wire bonding capability dramatically so that today's advanced technology devices such as 28nm and 20nm nodes are being bonded with Cu wire. Some of the key advances in wire bonding to enable advanced node bonding including the advanced Cu bonding processes, oxygen free insert gas system, advances in bonding wire and molding compound and tighter production control.

Advances in Medical Device Package Manufacturing

Dr. Edward Binkley CTO Promex Industries

Electronic medical devices are becoming very common in our society, from wearables products such as wrist fitness monitors to pacemakers and other implantables. The manufacturing process for these products, especially for implants, is characterized by intense federal and state government regulation and scrutiny, as well as extremely detailed life of product documentation. From a design standpoint, new generation devices are smaller, less invasive, and provide more functionality than ever before. This requires that all of the electronic components are packaged in as small a footprint as possible using 3D stacking techniques and mixed assembly processes, such as chip on board. Endoscope camera package design concepts are presented as an example of this 3D packaging using conventional processes and materials.

Advanced Packaging's Interconnect Technology Process Shift and Direction

Jay Hayes Director of Business Development — Bumping & Flip Chip Unisem

A quick review of the early bumping processes and why there has been a customer shift to Cu plated RDL, Cu plated UBM and Cu Pillar. Why has the bumping interconnect technology preference shifted and what are the advantages, plus today's preferred repassivation materials and why.

SESSION FOUR

Enabling Multi-Die Packaging as a Mainstream Solution

Session Chair Jeff Demmin STATSChipPAC

Integration of more than one semiconductor device in a single package is nothing new. What used to be just a high-end approach, though – picture multi-chip modules from 20 years ago – is now a common solution in many applications from consumer electronics to servers. This range of applications creates a variety of challenges in design and manufacturing, including wafer thinning, stacking, interconnect, thermal management, and reliability.

This session will report on the latest technical developments that enable such configurations as processor / memory integration in mobile products, stacked memory, and RF modules.

Challenges of Building RF Multi-Chip Modules

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The popularity of smart cell phones has propelled the development of multi-chip modules for RF applications to the forefront of technology development. Along with this development many problems have occurred requiring new and innovate solutions. A few of these innovations have allowed the industry to drive cost reducing strategies that beforehand were just not possible. One of these strategies was the use of flip chip die attach to replace the more common die attach and wire bond process. The presenter will discuss how the development of low cost pillar bumping and the development of the 01005 passive SMT components drove the development of SMT chip placement equipment. The accuracy and precision needed to place these very small SMT components also allowed the use of the same equipment to place flip chip die at an order of magnitude greater speed than conventional die placement systems, resulting in a lower manufacturing cost.

MCM Package Development for In-Vehicle Infotainment Systems

Terry Kang Senior Packaging Development Manager NVIDIA

In-vehicle infotainment is a collection of hardware devices to provide audio, visual entertainment and automotive navigation systems. In the last decade, In-vehicle infotainment systems have become one of the key driving technologies in automobiles. NVIDIA has developed MCM (Multi-Chip-Module) packages for infotainment systems. This paper presents the key features of the MCM package that NVIDIA has developed, and technical challenges and solutions encountered in the phase of package design, material and assembly process development. Package reliability test conditions for automotive and reliability results are also illustrated in this presentation.

Thermal Management in High-Performance Integrated 3D TSV Logic/Memory Systems

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Thermal management in high-performance electronic systems can be a significant challenge by itself. However, the integration of memory and 3D TSV structures with these high-performance systems can significantly complicate the required thermal solutions. Compared to monolithic die, thermal impedance will increase with 3D TSV stacks and proximity to high-powered logic will increase the thermal coupling.

In this presentation we will explain the difference in thermal impedance between monolithic die and stacked die cubes, and will explore how 3D memory stacks might perform in 5 different types of logic/memory systems, including discrete, semi-discrete, semi-integrated, integrated and vertically stacked.

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