

Temic

TEMIC TELEFUNKEN microelectronic



legal form	GmbH
founding	July 1, 1992
resolution	1998
Seat	Heilbronn
number of employees	11,179 (as of December 31, 1992) ^[1]
sales	DM 700 million (2nd half of 1992) ^[1]
business	Microelectronics, automotive supply industry

Temic (*own spelling TEMIC*) was a German [semiconductor manufacturer](#) . After several takeovers of the company between dominating groups, part of the original Temic still legally operates as [Conti Temic microelectronic GmbH](#) based in [Nuremberg](#) . ^[2]

On July 1, 1992, Temic was founded as *TEMIC TELEFUNKEN microelectronic GmbH* ^[3] based in [Heilbronn](#) . The shareholders at that time, [Daimler-Benz](#) subsidiaries [AEG-Telefunken](#) and [DASA](#) ^[4] ^[5] each had a share in the capital of 50%. In this constellation, TEMIC developed and produced microelectronic components for the automotive range of the Daimler-Benz group. The industrial management of the company was given to AEG in 1994.

In 1998 the company split into three companies, with parts being taken over by [Atmel](#) and [Vishay](#) . ^[3]

In 2001 (April) the tire manufacturer and automotive supplier [Continental AG](#) , Hanover, announced its intention to buy the Temic Group from Daimler-Chrysler for a total of around 630 million euros. Continental thus acquired its own mainstay in electronics. ^[6]

Individual areas of TEMIC can now be found at Atmel, [Continental](#) , [Harman Becker](#) , Vishay and [Telefunken Semiconductors](#) . ^[3]

TELEFUNKEN

Telefunken was founded in the 1920s by German companies Siemens and AEG. Its name is a combination of the prefix "tele" and the German word meaning "spark" or "transmission." Telefunken's original focus on high-frequency electrical transmissions for radio eventually led it to become an important supplier to the broadcasting and television industry.

1960: Newly established production facility for TELEFUNKEN GmbH with approximately 500 employees.

1964: Manufacture of planar transistors using silicon technology.

1966: First linear integrated circuit (IC): low-frequency amplifier.

1967: Capacity increase of IC and discrete semiconductor production. Expansion from approximately 1,800 to 2,200 employees. Integration of AEG-TELEFUNKEN into AEG Aktiengesellschaft (public limited company). The first German news satellite is equipped with 23,000 solar cells from Heilbronn.

1968: First integrated circuit for processing the intermediate frequency amplifier in a television

1970: First diode that emits red light. (Light Emitting Diode = LED.)

1974: Following the establishment of assembly works in Austria and Berlin, Germany, founding of TELEFUNKEN Semiconductors (Philippines), Inc. in Manila.

1975: Single-chip radio.

1976: Single-chip VHF television tuner.

1977: First electronic ignition for Volkswagen. First green LED (GaP LPE).

1980: LED display for night vision device.

1981: Start of production of car indicators. Subsequently, expansion to market leadership.

1982: Creation of TELEFUNKEN electronic GmbH (TEG) as an independent company within the AEG Group.

1984: Double hetero laser GaAlAs (gallium aluminium arsenide).

1985: LED print head (LEDA).

1987: TEG has 6,000 employees worldwide and a turnover of 600 million DM.
Start of production of ABS integrated circuits.

1988: AEG belongs to the Daimler-Benz Group. Consequently, TEG takes over a capital share in Siliconix (Santa Clara, USA) for the expansion of car and industrial integrated technology for Daimler-Benz.

1989: TEG takes over shares in Matra MHS (Nantes, France).

1990: First 65-GHz splitter in silicon.

1991: Single-chip telephone IC.

1992: Founding of TEMIC TELEFUNKEN microelectronic GmbH as an AEG Daimler-Benz Industries company with headquarters in Heilbronn.
16,000 employees worldwide; turnover of approximately 2.5 billion DM.
Semiconductor activities are combined in TEMIC Semiconductor GmbH.
First generation of airbag circuits.

1993: The semiconductor area at the Heilbronn location receives DIN ISO 9001 certification.

1994: Double-hetero IR diode for IR communication.

1995: IR transceiver (IrDA standard), first HF chipset for cordless digital telephones.

1996: Global restructuring of TEMIC Semiconductors into an Integrated Circuit Division and a Discrete Components Division.
4 MB/s transceiver (IrDA standard), single-chip TV IC, fastest radio PLL in the world,
developments in bipolar CMOS/DMOS (BCD) technology.

1997: TEMIC Semiconductor GmbH is spun off from TEMIC TELEFUNKEN microelectronic GmbH.

1998: Acquisition of TEMIC Semiconductor GmbH by Vishay Intertechnology, Inc.
Split into areas for discrete components (Vishay Semiconductor GmbH), integrated circuits (TEMIC Semiconductor GmbH), and central services (TEMIC Semiconductor Service GmbH [renamed as Facility Service GmbH in 1999]).

1998: Diodes and transistors, optical components, and IRDCs (infrared data communications devices) are managed under the name Vishay Semiconductor GmbH.