

# **NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# TowerJazz Appoints Dr. Franz Riedlberger as General Manager and Senior Sales Director, Europe

## Seasoned high-tech industry executive brings over 30 years experience to drive sales in growing European market

MIGDAL HAEMEK, Israel, and NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., October 14, 2010 -TowerJazz, the global specialty foundry leader, announced today that Dr. Franz Riedlberger, an accomplished industry veteran, has been appointed General Manager and Senior Sales Director, Europe to head its sales activities in this growing region. This newly created role evidences the importance of the European market and demonstrates TowerJazz's commitment to further grow its European customer base.

Riedlberger joins TowerJazz following 30 successful years in the high-tech industry of which the last four he spent with Diodes Zetex as CTO and Business Unit Manager. Prior to this assignment, he spent 14 years with Motorola in various engineering and sales management roles. He brings a wealth of know-how to TowerJazz. He was cofounder of the European ASIC company, ES2 - European Silicon Structures, Managing Director of the Munich Technology Center – the hub of the city's high tech start-ups and Managing Director of a software EDA start-up.

"This is another important milestone for TowerJazz, demonstrating our determination to put a world-class team in place to excel in achieving our ambitious goals," said Russell Ellwanger, Chief Executive Officer, TowerJazz. "Franz brings a wealth of knowledge to the company, both in semiconductor technology and commercial acumen. In addition, his leading our European activities will, I'm sure, attract further great talent into the company."

"I am excited to drive the execution of our strategic objectives together with my team and my peers. TowerJazz is a visionary company, bringing together best-in-class technology, first-rate personnel and excitement as a solid foundation to succeed in its target markets," Riedlberger commented.

### About TowerJazz

Tower Semiconductor Ltd. (NASDAQ: TSEM, TASE: TSEM), the global specialty foundry leader and its fully owned U.S. subsidiary Jazz Semiconductor, operate collectively under the brand name TowerJazz, manufacturing integrated circuits with geometries ranging from 1.0 to 0.13-micron. TowerJazz provides industry leading design enablement tools to allow complex designs to be achieved quickly and more accurately and offers a broad range of customizable process technologies including SiGe, BiCMOS, Mixed-Signal and RFCMOS, CMOS Image Sensor, Power Management (BCD), and Non-Volatile Memory (NVM) as well as MEMS capabilities. To provide world-class customer service, TowerJazz maintains two manufacturing facilities in Israel and one in the U.S. with additional capacity available in China through manufacturing partnerships. For more information, please visit <u>www.towerjazz.com</u>.

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