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Applied Materials Breaks Ground For Taiwan Expansion

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Applied Materials recently held a groundbreaking ceremony for its expansion project in Taiwan's Tainan Manufacturing Center. This expansion, with a total investment estimated at around \$17 million, will increase the company's ability to meet the demand for both its AKT flat-panel display equipment and SunFab Thin Film Solar manufacturing equipment. The new facility is expected to be completed by the middle of next year.

"This year's strong demand for flat panel equipment and the added requirements to support our fast growing SunFab business in Asia have created a need to increase our capability in Asia," says Gilad Almogy, group vice president and general manager of Applied Materials' display and thin film solar products group.

The Applied Materials Tainan Manufacturing Center will supplement existing operations for display and solar in the U.S. and Germany. The expansion will add 7,200 square meters of new production area, bringing the total manufacturing area in Tainan to 14,000 square meters. When complete, the campus will have about 150 employees.

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