



Legal Watch

FTSC SUPPORTS EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN THE PHILIPPINES' ROLE IN THE GLOBAL SEMICONDUCTOR VALUE CHAIN



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SUMMARY

The DTI's Foreign Trade Service Corps participated in the 5th Semiconductor and Electronics Industry Advisory Council meeting and a site visit to Texas Instruments Philippines in Clark, Pampanga on 18 June 2026. The engagement formed part of the government's continuing efforts to support the semiconductor and electronics sector, one of the Philippines' principal export industries.

Discussions focused on the implementation of the Philippine Semiconductor and Electronics Industry Roadmap, which aims to increase electronics exports to US\$110 billion by 2030 by moving toward higher-value activities, including integrated-circuit design, advanced packaging, and eventually front-end manufacturing.

The meeting also considered how the Luzon Economic Corridor and the Pax Silica initiative may support this transition by improving the conditions for technology-intensive investment, supply-chain development, workforce capability, and coordinated government support. Texas Instruments Philippines' long-standing operations were cited as an example of the type of advanced, globally integrated manufacturing presence that the government seeks to expand.

The development does not create new regulatory obligations. It nevertheless indicates sustained policy attention toward semiconductors, electronics, and related digital-infrastructure industries.

ACTIONABLE ADVICE

Semiconductor and electronics manufacturers, suppliers, industrial-estate operators, and service providers should monitor developments under the PSEI Roadmap, Luzon Economic Corridor, and Pax Silica initiatives for potential investment, infrastructure, and supply-chain opportunities.

Businesses considering expansion should assess their capacity to meet international requirements on quality systems, traceability, cybersecurity, intellectual property protection, skilled labor, environmental compliance, and reliable power and logistics. Companies may also review available investment incentives and determine whether planned projects align with government priorities for high-value manufacturing, research and development, advanced packaging, or digital infrastructure.

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