



Applied Materials Honored with Trina Solar's Highest Supplier Award for Second Year

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SANTA CLARA, Calif., April 5, 2012 - Applied Materials, Inc. today announced that [Trina Solar Limited](#), a leading global manufacturer of solar photovoltaic (PV) modules, presented Applied with its "Outstanding Contribution of the Year 2011 - World Purchasing Award" recently in Changzhou, China. Trina Solar honored Applied Materials for providing excellent service and working closely with Trina on new technology development and cost efficiencies. This is the second consecutive year Applied has won the award, and in 2011 was the only equipment supplier to be honored.

"Trina Solar has successfully developed into a leader in the PV industry based on its vertically integrated business model that allows us to continuously improve the production process and deliver high quality and cost-effective products to our customers," said Patrick Lu, Vice President of Supply Chain Management of Trina Solar. "Our strong supplier relationships have been important to achieving this leadership. Applied Materials' world-class equipment and superior service have enabled us to quickly ramp production with high productivity and efficiency."

"We're honored to be recognized by Trina Solar, a premier manufacturer of high-quality solar PV products," said [Mark Pinto](#), Executive Vice President and General Manager, Energy & Environmental Solutions Group at Applied Materials. "Applied has supported China's semiconductor and display industries for over 25 years and has been the leading supplier of PV solar manufacturing equipment to China for more than five years. Our significant global infrastructure has enabled us to provide the support our customers need to optimize manufacturing, increase cell efficiencies and expand their PV operations worldwide."

As the leading equipment supplier to the global solar PV industry, Applied is currently supporting over 1,800 solar manufacturing systems, including screen printing, wafering, cropping and squaring systems, at more than 200 customer sites worldwide. Applied is committed to helping enable customer roadmaps with advanced manufacturing technology and, through its [Applied Global Services](#) division, providing factory automation software and service solutions for optimizing solar cell efficiency and factory operations.

Trina Solar Limited (NYSE: TSL) is a leading manufacturer of high quality modules and has a long history as a solar PV pioneer since it was founded in 1997 as a system installation company. Trina Solar is one of the few PV manufacturers that have developed a vertically integrated business model from the production of monocrystalline and multicrystalline silicon ingots, wafers and cells to the assembly of high quality modules. Trina Solar's products provide reliable and environmentally-friendly electric power for a growing variety of end-user applications worldwide. For further information, please visit Trina Solar's website at www.trinasolar.com.

Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq:AMAT) is the global leader in providing innovative equipment, services and software to enable the manufacture of advanced semiconductor, flat panel display and solar photovoltaic products. Our technologies help make innovations like smartphones, flat screen TVs and solar panels more affordable and accessible to consumers and businesses around the world. At Applied Materials, we turn today's innovations into the industries of tomorrow. Learn more at www.appliedmaterials.com.

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