

TrendForce Announces Top 10 Trends in Information and Communication Technology Sector for 2018

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TrendForce has unveiled a list of top 10 trends in the information and communication technology sector for 2018. These trends will be influencing the development of key industries in the upcoming year.

- [1] Demand growth for both cloud and edge computing will accelerate due to the proliferation of services running on artificial intelligence
- [2] Financial sector will spearhead the commercial deployment of blockchain in 2018
- [3] Arrival of 5G in 2018 will generate demand for new applications
- [4] Standalone headsets will be a major focus in next year's VR market
- [5] Advanced solutions for biometric recognition to make a splash in the smartphone market
- [6] More smartphones will be sporting all-screen design next year
- [7] Mini LEDs will be available for display backlight next year
- [8] The formal rollout of automotive chips for Level 4 automation will occur in 2018 and move us closer to fully self-driving cars
- [9] The four major foundries will reignite the technology rivalry in semiconductor manufacturing during next year
- [10] China to guide the global photovoltaic market in 2018

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