

## TrendForce Expects Taiwanese IC Design Houses to Be Under Greater Competitive Pressure If Broadcom's Bid for Qualcomm Is Successful

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TrendForce expects the deal will expand Broadcom's presence in the automotive electronics market. Furthermore, the joining of Broadcom and Qualcomm will impact the global foundry market and threaten the competitiveness of China's and Taiwan's IC industries in the future.

[1] The new fabless behemoth will have greater bargaining power with foundries and providers of IC testing and packaging services

[2] Taiwan's IC design sector will face harder competition

[3] For China's IC design houses, the union of Broadcom and Qualcomm will be another major challenge that requires the support of government to overcome

[4] Successful conclusion of this deal will change the competitive landscape of the semiconductor chip market

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