

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# **RJC CERTIFIES FRENCH JEWELLERY SETTERS, LYON SERTI**

LONDON - RJC announced today that Lyon Serti has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its modern workshop in Lyon, France. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce Lyon Serti has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are thrilled to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Lyon Serti," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Anne-Lise Legrand from SGS United Kingdom Limited, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"We are very honoured and pleased with our RJC Certification. The Certification highlights our commitment to responsible jewellery practices to help us continue to deliver a world class service to our customers," says Grigor Topalian, Chairman of Lyon Serti.

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 600 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

The RJC is a <u>Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance</u> – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit <u>www.responsiblejewellery.com</u>

### **About Lyon Serti**

Created in 1968 in Lyon, Lyon Serti specialised in the field of settings for fine Jewellery, including most major Parisian world-renowned brands. With almost 30 setters, the company's expertise continues to improve. For more information about LYON SERTI, please visit <a href="https://www.sertisseur.com">www.sertisseur.com</a> or <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>.

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