

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## VACHERON CONSTANTIN RE-CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Vacheron Constantin, the Swiss watchmaker, has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC.

"RJC warmly congratulates Vacheron Constantin on its Certification," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director. "We are thrilled to see Members achieving Re-Certifications against the standard."

The independent third party audit was conducted by Michel Mooser from SGS, one of the qualified auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"For the 260 years of our uninterrupted activity, we have been driven by our strong values. Our objective is to transmit these values as well as our skills to future generations. Today the RJC Code of Practices Re-Certification confirms that our convictions continue to be in line with those of the RJC and supports one of our corporate values: an aspiration to be a good corporate citizen – fostering meaningful partnerships, acting responsibly and being open to the world", says Juan-Carlos Torres, CEO of Vacheron Constantin.

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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 Vacheron Constantin**

Founded in Geneva in 1755, Vacheron Constantin is one of the world's oldest watch manufacturers engaged in uninterrupted activity for 260 years. Founders of the very spirit of the technical and precious Fine Watchmaking, the men and women of Vacheron Constantin continue to design, develop and produce exceptional timepieces true to the brand's three fundaments: perfectly mastered techniques, inspired and harmonious aesthetics, and an extremely high level of finishing.

As a responsible company, Vacheron Constantin fosters meaningful partnerships with art and culture by establishing strong ties with the wider community to promote our shared values. Its timepieces are manufactured and their components sourced with an ethical conscience and in a responsible way exercising the business activity in harmony with the environment and practicing a sustainable use of natural resources.

www.vacheron-constantin.com

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