



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES VAN LOGGEM DIAMANTENHANDEL AG

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG, the Swiss diamond trader, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG on its certification. The verification assessment was conducted by Michel Mooser from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"As a family owned and independent company, we have been driven by our strong values. Over the last few decades, the brand Van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG has been purchasing and trading top quality cut diamonds. Our success is based on our clients and on the trust we have together with sound values. Our RJC Certification confirms that our convictions are in line with those of the RJC and to be an enterprise with a good social awareness, responsible and open to the world," says Peter Spahni, Director of Van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG.

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 380 member companies. RJC and its Members are committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. The RJC is a [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit [www.responsiblejewellery.com](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### About Van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG

André van Loggem founded his own company in 1988 in the city of Zug, Switzerland. Since 2002 van Loggem Diamantenhandel AG is owned by the family Spahni-van Loggem and its new headquarters are located in Baar. Close cooperation with the watch and jewellery industry is a long-standing tradition at van Loggem. We provide the leading businesses with cut diamonds of all sizes and of the highest quality classes in the required quantities – reliably, safely and punctually. We even fulfil your most unusual wishes – from brilliants to unique fancy cuts. More information on [www.vanloggem.ch](http://www.vanloggem.ch)

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