

THE RJC MONITOR

NEWS FROM THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

MAY 2011

RJC congratulates its Certified Members!

Gay Frères	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/certification/Certification_Gay_Freres.pdf
Cartier	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/Certification_Info_Cartier.pdf
RAYMOND BLOCH SA	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/members/documents/CertificationInformation-RAYMONDBLOCHSA.pdf
Metalor Technologies SA	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/members/documents/CertificationInformation-MetalorTechnologiesSA.pdf
Rubel & Ménasché	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/members/documents/CertificationInformation-RubelandMenasche.pdf
Fred Meyer Jewelers & Littman Jewelers	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/Certification_Information_Fred_Meyer.pdf
AV10	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/Certification_Info_AV10.pdf
Signet Jewelers	http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/Signet_Jewelers_Cert_Scope.pdf

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

All RJC Commercial Members who joined the RJC before 31 December 2009 are required to achieve RJC Certification by 31 December 2011.

Accredited Auditors:

The RJC does not carry out audits – this is done by an independent and accredited auditor. Appointing an auditor is an important step and is likely to result in a long-term business relationship. The RJC has no role in overseeing the contract between a Member and its chosen auditor.

	Membership type	Certification Timeline
RJC Members with Mining Facilities 31st December 2012	RJC Members as of 31st December 2009	31st December 2011
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New Members since 1st January 2010 Two years from the date of membership	New Members since 1st January 2010	Two years from the date of membership

The RJC runs Certification Workshops and free online training sessions designed to assist its Members through the RJC Certification process. The credibility of the RJC depends on Members being audited by

accredited independent third-party auditors and becoming certified within the deadlines set by the RJC Member Certification System.

RJC Accredited Auditors	
Deloitte Conseil (France)	www.deloitte.com/fr
Ernst & Young (France)	www.ey.com/FR
KPMG (France)	www.kpmg.fr
KPMG LLP (UK) and KPMG Performance Registrar Inc (Canada)	www.kpmg.com/uk www.kpmg.com/canada
SGS United Kingdom Limited	www.sgs.com
Specialized Technology Resources, Inc. (STR)	www.STRQuality.com

www.w-f.be

Members should consider whether to:

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- Seek a guote from more than one auditor.
- Synchronising its audit with audits for other standards, such as ISO 14000 or SA8000, if the certifier is qualified to undertake both.

The following auditing firms have been accredited by

the RJC to carry out verifications of Members' business practices:

These firms together have more than 100 auditors in the following 45 countries, here below listed, who have undertaken training on RJC Certification:

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ACCREDITED AUDITORS CONTINUED

Australia

Belgium

Brazil

Botswana

Bulgaria & Eastern Europe

Canada

Caribbean

China

Egypt & Middle East

France

Germany

Guatemala & Latin/South America

Hong Kong

Iceland

India

Indonesia & South East Asia

Ireland

Israel

Italy

Japan

Kenya

Korea Laos

Mauritius

Mexico & Latin/South America

Namibia

Pakistan

Peru & Latin/South America

Philippines & South East Asia

Poland & Eastern Europe

Russia

South Korea

South Africa

Spain & Western Europe

Sri Lanka

Switzerland

Taiwan & Asia Pacific

Tanzania

Thailand & South East Asia

Turkey

United Arab Emirates & Gulf Region

United Kingdom

United States

Vientiane

Vietnam

Members can find further information and contact details for accredited auditing companies in the list of RJC Accredited Auditors available at http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/auditors.html

How long will the audit take and what does it cost?

The cost of assessment varies and depends on the complexity of the Member's business and the auditor's rates and expenses. The auditor will be able to estimate the amount of time the audit will take and its costs. Guidance is provided in the RJC

In March and April 2011, Ms Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Operating Officer and Ms Anna Leach, RJC's Administrative Manager, conducted 10 Certification workshops around Europe and USA with 101 participants, designed to assist RJC Assessment Manual (see Table 4).

The more a Member can prepare for the audit, the quicker it will be. Feedback from Certified Members and Auditors who have been through the process emphasise that a good Self Assessment makes for an efficient and successful audit.

For further information on RJC Member Certification and the training sessions, please contact
Anna Leach, RJC's Administrative Manager, at
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Members in their certification process.

We would like to thank the following RJC

Members who kindly hosted the working
sessions: the Antwerp World Diamond

Center, Club degli Orafi Italia, Jewelers of

America and the Union Française BJOP.

INSIGHT SESSION - STEPS TO RJC CERTIFICATION:

'Insights' is an ongoing section in The Monitor that encourages RJC Members to share their approaches and learning in achieving RJC Certification. In this session, RAYMOND BLOCH has offered its advice to RJC Members.

RAYMOND BLOCH SA is a French diamond wholesaler and the first diamond supplier in the Council's membership to become certified by RJC. A family owned business for one hundred years, RAYMOND BLOCH SA, is an important stakeholder in the world diamond wholesale marketplace.

The steps taken to RJC Certification were:

- 1. Diagnoses of the situation
- 2. Setting up corrective actions
- 3. Assemble evidence for the verification assessment made by an accredited auditor: STR

The means were:

- Hiring of 1 Project manager to lead the self assessment
- RJC tools using (Workbook, risk assessment)
- Preparation of monitoring tools
- Gathering of the information
- Identifying non conformances contingent on the RJC principles
- Increasing Raymond Bloch SA members' awareness of the RJC issue and principles.

The benefits for a firm like RAYMOND BLOCH SA are:

- Fast procedures of communication and consciousness raising
- Fast decision making
- Simple procedures testing

Conclusions:

The Self assessment is a very important part in the RJC certification in order to minimize the audit verification

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We would like to thank RAYMOND BLOCH SA for their perspective. If you have comments, or would like to share your organization's approach and learning, please contact Mila Bonini, RJC's Communications Manager, at mila.bonini@responsiblejewellery.com



Photo courtesy RAYMOND BLOCH

RJC RELEASES CONSULTATION REPORT ON CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFICATION

RJC has released a report on its four-month consultation process on a draft standard for Chain-of-Custody Certification. The report is available on the RJC's website at:

http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/ downloads/RJC_CommentsReport_CoC_ Paper2_25Feb2011.pdf

The report analyses input from 25 written submissions to the RJC, and discussions with key stakeholders during roundtable sessions convened in January-February 2011. A total of 185 participants attended RJC's roundtables in Vicenza, Geneva, Paris, Antwerp, London, Birmingham, Washington DC and New York. Interest in Chain-of-Custody has grown considerably as a result of the conflict minerals provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act that were passed by US Congress in 2010. Determining the origin of gold in the jewellery supply chain will be a strong

focus for companies affected by the Dodd-Frank Act, under rules to be published by the Securities and Exchange Commission later in 2011. The RJC aims to develop its Chain-of-Custody certification standard to



support companies seeking to apply greater due diligence in the supply chain, whether for Dodd-Frank compliance or as part of a broader company strategy.

RJC is progressing the key points identified in the report and a 3rd discussion paper is being drafted by RJC for public comment by mid 2011. This will include a revised draft CoC standard for public consultation, and a summary of how the issues raised in the report have been addressed.

The RJC warmly thanks all who contributed their perspectives in roundtables and submissions. Comments and feedback from all stakeholders on this initiative continues to be welcome, and the RJC looks forward to ongoing engagement.

Special thanks goes to all RJC Members and Supporters who kindly hosted the Roundtable sessions in Europe, UK and USA in January and February 2011: the Antwerp World Diamond Center, the Birmingham Assay Office, the Compagnie Financière Richemont, De Beers, Jewelers of America and the Union Française BJOP.



18 January - Vicenza Press Conference and Chain of Custody Roundtable in cooperation with Fiera di Vicenza and Confindustria Federorafi.



19 January - Geneva session at SIHH Salon.



21 January - Paris session kindly hosted by Union Française BJOP.



24 January - Antwerp session kindly hosted by the Antwerp World Diamond Center - From the left: Mr Georg Brys, Fiona Solomon and Catherine Sproule.

Welcome to new Members

The following 45 companies have been welcomed as RJC Members since the publication of the December edition of The RJC Monitor.

Antica Ditta Marchisio SPA	January 2011	www.mattioligioielli.it
Antwerp Star Diamonds	March 2011	-
April by MG Paris	April 2011	www.aprilparis.com
Ashapuri Exim PVT Ltd	April 2011	-
Ausdex Diamonds PTY Ltd	April 2011	-
Charles Perroud SAS	January 2011	-
Club degli Orafi Italia	January 2011	www.clubdegliorafi.org
D Navinchandra Gems PVT Ltd	February 2011	www.dnavinchandra.com
D Navinchandra Jewels	February 2011	www.dnavinchandra.com
Dialink France SAS	March 2011	www.dialinkgroup.com
Dhruv Star bvba	April 2011	-
Exelco International Ltd	February 2011	www.exelcodiamond.com
Maker Mends Limited	January 2011	www.makermends.com
Grospiron SAS	January 2011	www.grospiron.fr
IDEX Online	March 2011	www.idexonline.com
Interjewel (HK) Company Ltd	January 2011	-
Interjewel PVT Ltd	January 2011	www.interjewel.net
Interjewel (Thailand) Co Ltd	January 2011	www.interjewel.net
International Diamond Manufacturers Association (IDMA)	April 2011	www.idma.net www.idma.co
Jewelex Antwerp NV	March 2011	-
Jewelex Europe NV	March 2011	-
Julius Klein Group	January 2011	www.juliusklein.com
Kama Schachter Jewelry Inc	March 2011	www.kamaschachter.com
Kay Diamonds NV	January 2011	www.geskay.com
KGK Diamonds BVBA	March 2011	-
KP Sanghvi HK Limited	March 2011	www.kpsanghvi.com
Lazare Kaplan International Inc	January 2011	www.lazarediamonds.com
Lukhi Diam bvba	April 2011	www.lukhidiam.com
Malay Gems BVBA	April 2011	-
Matrix Diamond Technology	March 2011	www.matrixdiamondtechnology.com
Mohit Diamonds USA Inc	April 2011	www.mohitdiamonds.com
M/S Interjewel Designs	January 2011	www.interjewel.net
M/S Jewel Craft PVT	January 2011	www.interjewel.net
Oteline	January 2011	www.oteline.fr; www.otelina.fr
Pala Corporation Ltd	January 2011	- -
Platinum Guild International	January 2011	www.preciousplatinum.com
Safdico Antwerp BVBA	April 2011	www.safdico.com
SARL Avedis	March 2011	-
Select Jewellery bvba	April 2011	-
Sparsh	February 2011	-
Suashish Diamonds (HK) Ltd	March 2011	www.suashish.com
Super Diam byba	February 2011	-
Syndicat Saint Eloi Union du Commerce	April 2011	www.syndicat-sainteloi.com
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Umane Creations	April 2011	www.umane-paris.com

Four Highly Respected Trade Associations have joined RJC: Club degli Orafi Italia, Platinum Guild International, International Diamond Manufacturers Association and Syndicat Saint Eloi

RJC welcomes four highly respected trade organizations to the Council's membership:
Club degli Orafi Italia, the leading independent association of major Italian jewellers; Platinum Guild International (PGI), which is responsible for global platinum jewellery development, on behalf of the South African producers; the International Diamond Manufacturers Association (IDMA), committed to fostering and promoting the highest ideals of honesty and best practice principles

throughout the global diamond industry, as well as full compliance with all national and international laws; and the Syndicat Saint Eloi, the independent association representing the major French players in the watch and jewellery industry.

They all join more than 290 companies and key international and national trade associations including Jewelers of America, the American Gem Society, the National Association of Goldsmiths, the British Jewellers Association, the World Gold

Council, the Union Française BJOP, the Danish Jewellers Association and the Italian Confindustria FEDERORAFI as Members of the RJC.

RJC Trade Association Members play a pivotal role in building awareness of the value of RJC membership. Through their strong national ties, RJC Trade Associations can also assist their members in offering tailored guidance, advice and support in the steps toward RJC Member Certification.







From left: James
Courage, CEO,
Platinum Guild
International;
Augusto Ungarelli,
President, Club
degli Orafi Italia; Moti
Ganz, President, IDMA;
Christine Boquet,
President and
delegate, Syndicat
Saint Eloi.

IDEX Online SA is the first trading platform and media outlet to become an RJC Supporter

IDEX Online SA, the leading provider of trading services and content for the diamond industry, has joined the Council's membership as a Supporter. IDEX Online joins ABN AMRO, Compagnie Financière Richemont SA and BASELWORLD, the World Watch and Jewellery Show, as valuable RJC Supporters.



Edahn Golan, Editor-in-Chief, IDEX Online.

Anchored by the world's largest online diamond inventory, valued at over \$4 billion with more than 3,000 buyer requests at any given time, IDEX Online SA includes objective wholesale pricing information, market trends, and up-to-date industry news and analysis.

RJC IS ON THE STANDARDS MAP OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTER

RJC is one of a number of international standard systems that are referenced in Standards Map, an interactive web-based tool on private standards developed by the T4SD program of the International Trade Center. More information at http://cms.standardsmap.org/publish/itc_standards/responsible_jewellery_council_-_rjc/resources/files/396/Final_RJC.pdf



UPDATE ON THE KIMBERLEY PROCESS: RJC WARNS MEMBERS NOT TO TRADE IN MARANGE DIAMONDS

On 19 March 2011, Mathieu Yamba, the current Chair of the Kimberley Process, (KP), announced that stocks and production from the Mbada and Canadile mining concessions in Marange, Zimbabwe, can be exported with "immediate effect." However, a

number of KP participants have challenged Yamba's decision on procedural grounds. Efforts are currently underway within the KP to work through the issues. Until there is further clarity on the KP-compliance of diamonds from the Marange region, RJC recommends that Members do not trade in these diamonds. RJC continues to advise its Members to exercise the necessary due diligence to protect the integrity of the diamonds in which they trade.

RJC ATTENDANCE AT BASELWORLD 2011

This year RJC was present at Baselworld, the World Watch and Jewellery Show and RJC official Supporter, with a press conference on the certification in the jewellery industry and a Panel Session on Responsible Sourcing and Chain-of-Custody, co-hosted with Solidaridad and Fairtrade Foundation.

Speakers in the Panel Session were Catherine Sproule, Chief Operating Officer, RJC; Nawal Aït-Hocine, Corporate Responsibility Director, Cartier International and Chair of the RJC Membership Committee; Gemma Cartwright, New Products and Standards Development Manager, Fairtrade Foundation; Ryan Taylor, Designer Goldsmith and Founder, The Fair Trade Jewellery Co.; Jennifer Horning, Gold Programme Coordinator, Solidaridad; Stephen Webster, Founder, Stephen Webster and Garrard.

The aim of the Panel was to brief attendees on the concrete efforts of each organisation towards common objectives of Responsible Sourcing and Chain-of-Custody, as well as share stories of what members of the supply chain are doing now to ensure better practices. A copy of the presentation slides can be downloaded from here: http://www.

responsiblejewellery.com/chain-ofcustody_2_900570120.pdf



RJC Press Conference - From the left: John Hall, Nawal Ait-Hocine, Catherine Sproule and Mila Bonini.



Panel Session - From the left: Stephen Webster, Jennifer Horning, Ryan Taylor, Gemma Cartwright, John Hall, Catherine Sproule, Nawal Ait-Hocine.

UN Global Compact

Under the Global Compact, RJC has committed to communicate annually and publicly on progress made in implementing the Global Compact principles. The RJC's 2011 Communication on Progress has been prepared and is now downloadable from http://www.unglobalcompact.org/COPs/detail/10798



RJC highest score in solidaridad benchmark study of standards for industrial gold mining

Solidaridad released the report, "Benchmark Study of Environmental and Social Standards in Industrialised Precious Metals Mining" that compares eight leading standards for safequarding people and the environment at industrial precious metals mines.

The Benchmark Study found that the RJC Code of Practices earned the highest score on the quantitative benchmark.

Solidaridad is an international network organisation with more than 20 years experience in creating fair and sustainable supply chains. In 2009, Solidaridad launched a Gold Programme to advise jewellers on establishing responsible supply chains that support best practices among miners both small and large. To extend their work with the Alliance for Responsible Mining's newly launched Fairtrade/Fairmined standard for artisanal and small-scale gold mining, Solidaridad has been working with jewellers to identify approaches to responsible sourcing that can work for mainstream market actors.

To further this effort, Solidaridad commissioned a review of mining standards, including the RJC Code of Practices, to evaluate which standard it should use to work with industrial-scale gold producers to complement its work in the artisanal

Please visit Solidaridad's website to read a summary of the results and download the full report: http://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/ what-we-do/cases/benchmark-studyenvironmental-and-social-standardsindustrialised-precious-metals-m

UPCOMING RJC EVENTS

11:00 - 11:30	RJC Annual General Meeting (open to all RJC Members)		
11:30 - 13:00	Member Update: Chain of Custody, RJC Member Certification system (open to all RJC Members and invited stakeholders)	Location: Arundel House, London, UK	
14:30 - 16:30	Trade Associations Training Module (open to Trade Association members)	_	
■ WEDNESDAY 25 MAY, 2011			
09:00 - 13:00	RJC Standards Committee Meeting (Members of the RJC Standards Committee and open to all RJC Members - limited seating), For more information, please contact Anna Leach, RJC's Administrative Manager, at anna.leach@responsiblejewellery.com	Location: Rio Tinto, London, UK	
14:00 - 16:30	Executive Committee Meeting (Members of the RJC Executive Committee only)		
■ FRIDAY 27 MAY, 2011			
16:00 - 17:50 (UK time)	RJC Consultative Panel teleconference (Members of the RJC Consultative Panel)	By Teleconference	
■ SUNDAY 5 JUNE, 2011			
12:00 - 13:00	Responsible Jewellery Council Luncheon Industry Leaders Host Inaugural Responsible Jewellery Council Luncheon at JCK Las Vegas to emphasize the benefits of becoming an RJC Member- limited seating. For more information, please contact Mila Bonini, RJC's Communications Manager, at mila.bonini@responsiblejewellery.com	Location: Jasmine Ballroom: Mandalay Bay Convention Center, JCK Las Vegas	
14:00 - 15:00	RJC Chain of Custody Workshop (open to all RJC Members and stakeholders)	Show USA	

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