



NEWS RELEASE

Embargoed until 28 August 2014

RJC exhibits at the IJL London from 31 August – 2 September

LONDON – The RJC team will be at booth A92 at IJL London from 31 August to 2 September, networking with the trade and presenting a responsible sourcing panel.

RJC is pleased IJL is a Supporter of the Council as it continues to present an ethical trading platform between the jewellery industry's sellers: gemstone traders and jewellery manufacturers, and its buyers: retailers, and designers/makers.

RJC's seminar on - *Responsible Sourcing: How the 2013 RJC Code of Practices (COP) and key industry initiatives support a responsible supply chain*, brings together leading speakers from the industry:

Maria Mursell, RJC Training Coordinator, will present on how Members' Certification journey translates to a key understanding of human rights issues and provenance claims in the jewellery supply chain.

Assheton Stewart Carter, Senior Sustainability Advisor, Goldlake Group and RJC Member, will inform the audience on how the RJC COP supports a responsible industry from a mining and precious metal group's perspective.

Estelle Levin of Estelle Levin Ltd, the specialist consultancy dedicated to responsible mining and sourcing, will give insight into the role RJC plays in the artisanal and small-scale mining sector.

NAG's CEO Michael Rawlinson will focus on how retailers can capitalise on RJC Certification.

Professor Marylyn Carrigan, Coventry University will present the findings of her latest research on best practices for small businesses in the UK.

And, Philip Olden from Signet Jewellers Ltd will focus on the impact of the retail sector on responsible business practices through the jewellery supply chain.

"RJC is delighted to contribute to IJL's seminar series with a topic that really concerns organisations of all size. We hope to reach as many UK businesses as possible on supply chain issues as we work towards building a responsible world-wide supply chain," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

www.responsiblejewellery.com

The Responsible Jewellery Council is the trading name of the Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd.
The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd, 9 Whitehall, First Floor Front, London SW1A 2DD.
The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd is registered in England and Wales with company number 05449042.

RJC Seminar on “Responsible Sourcing: How the new RJC Code of Practices and key industry initiatives support a responsible supply chain” takes place on Tuesday 2nd September at 2:45pm in the Inspiration Theatre. Secure entry by registering [here](#) before 29th August.

For further information please contact:

Madalina Grigorie, Communications Coordinator, Responsible Jewellery Council

Telephone + 44 (0)20 7836 6376, madalina.grigorie@responsiblejewellery.com

About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 500 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 [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

www.responsiblejewellery.com

The Responsible Jewellery Council is the trading name of the Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd.
The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd, 9 Whitehall, First Floor Front, London SW1A 2DD.
The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd is registered in England and Wales with company number 05449042.