

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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#### RJC RE-CERTIFIES ANTWERP-BASED SUPERGEMS NV

LONDON - RJC announced today that Supergems NV has achieved Re-Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its trading office in Antwerp, Belgium. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce Supergems NV 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 these Certifications against the standard and warmly congratulate Supergems NV," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Operations Officer.

The successful verification assessment was led by Stefaan Beirens from Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"We're delighted to attain Re-Certification as a RJC member. It helps us maintain checks and balances during purchases, sales, and managing our internal systems as well. We look forward to seeing the RJC implementing other projects where we can play an important role at various levels in the coming years." said Sachiv Mehta, Managing Director at Supergems NV.

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#### **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 <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 Supergems NV**

Supergems NV engages in rough and polished marketing, from its Antwerp base, and distributes its diamonds globally through its associates and exclusive representatives in Hong Kong, Dubai, and New York. A majority of the polished output is in triple excellent rounds certified by GIA, HRD, and IGI, with a small percentage of fancy shapes as well. With a strong

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emphasis on customer relations for over 40 years, the Supergems team constantly works on new methods to ensure dynamic changes in its product mix and market pricing mechanism, ensuring our clients can buy diamonds sight unseen, and receive a consistently good value for their investment." More info at <a href="https://www.supergemsgroup.com">www.supergemsgroup.com</a>

**RJC Certification Information – Supergems NV** 

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