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RJC CERTIFIES EURO MECCANICA PREZIOSI SRL

LONDON - RJC announced today that Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its manufacturing facility in Vicenza, Italy.

"It is a pleasure to announce Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl 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 delighted to see members achieving certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Melisa Cerizza from Resource Consulting Services Limited, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"It's a great pleasure for us to announce we have achieved RJC certification. This accomplishment underlines our efforts in maintaining and ensuring our ethical working practices such as quality, traceability and sustainability of our production and working premises. We thank our staff for their commitment to RJC procedures and standards," says Sonia Guidolin, legal representative at Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 900 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 Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl

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RJC Certification Information – Euro Meccanica Preziosi Srl

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