

NEWS RELEASE

RJC CERTIFIES BELGIUM-BASED GPN DIAMOND

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

"It is a pleasure to announce GPN Diamond BVBA 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 Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate GPN Diamond BVBA," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

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

"GPN Diamond is proud to achieve RJC Certification. This accomplishment confirms GPN Diamond BVBA's commitment to ethical and responsible business practices. Our core value is to take our business collectively and individually in a sustainable and responsible way to deliver consistent, honest and quality customer services," said Dharmin Bhikadiya, CEO at GPN Diamond BVBA.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 600 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 GPN Diamond BVBA

GPN Diamond was founded in the Antwerp (Belgium) in 2011 with having 40 years of family experience in Diamond manufacturing and trading. It specializes in the small size top make diamond manufacturing and supplying to high end jewellery and watch manufacturer for last 15 years.

RJC Certification Information – GPN Diamond BVBA

RJC Certified Members