

NEWS RELEASE

RJC CERTIFIES Tecnigold S.p.A.

LONDON - RJC announced today that Tecnigold S.p.A. has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its office and production facility in Borso Del Grappa, Italy. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce Tecnigold 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 Tecnigold S.p.A.," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Paolo Andriollo from Bureau Veritas Italia, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Tecnigold is very proud to be part of the RJC family, this achievement underlines and confirms the spirit of the company. Since its foundation we have always been committed to a responsible and ethical business practice and this is the best way to say it to the world." says Paolo Piotto, CEO of Tecnigold S.p.A.

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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>

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About Tecnigold S.p.A.

Tecnigold S.p.A. was founded in Borso Del Grappa in 1979, a few kilometres from Vicenza by Francesco Piotto. The company has reached worldwide recognition and is now one of the world leader in the production, of gold chains. Troughs large investments on technology and human resources, our trade mark is highly recognizable in the entire world, as a symbol of quality reliability and seriousness. For more information: <u>www.tecnigold.com</u>

RJC Certification Information – Tecnigold S.p.A.

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