

RJC Standards Committee – 2012

The RJC Standards Committee is comprised of 14 representatives, 2 from each stage of the diamond and gold jewellery supply chain and 12 external stakeholders. The Committee works towards consensus in its standards development processes, drawing on the collective input of a range of stakeholders. For more information on RJC's standards development approach, see http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/standards-development/

Committee Member	Bio
Didier Backaert	Didier Backaert has been working as a consultant for Bonas & Co since 2003.
Consultant	His main responsibilities (CSR and/or CoC related) within Bonas & Co are:
Bonas & Co	
	DTC Best Practice Principles:
	- Day-to-day involvement and guidance of Sightholders on DTC's Best Practice
	Principles
	- Standards implementation with a particular focus on India, China, USA and
	Europe
	- Liaise officer between De Beers and Sightholders
	- Awareness raising on country specific issues related to Standards
	implementation
	- Assisting Sightholders with BPP audits
	De Beers Forevermark programme:
	- Guidance on the Forevermark programme (full track and trace mechanism &
	segregation principle)
	- Full implementation within the Bonas Sightholder portfolio
	- Assisting Sightholders with Forevermark audits
	Responsible Jewellery Council:
	- Member of Standards Committee for both the RJC Standards development &
	CoC
	- Representing Bonas & Co as Board Director for the Diamond Cutting & Polishing
	Forum within RJC
Michèle Brülhart	As UL Responsible Sourcing's ("UL RS") Traceability Manager, Michèle Brülhart is
Global Traceability Manager	responsible for the research, development and growth of the company's chain of
UL Responsible Sourcing	custody services for raw materials with focus on conflict minerals. Managing UL
	RS' verification services for the Responsible Jewellery Council ("RJC"), Ms Brülhart
	trains and supports the company's auditors in the field and has carried out
	several conflict minerals and RJC certification assessments. For the past three
	years, she has been working specifically on trans-border cooperation and the
	illegal exploitation of natural resources in the African Great Lakes Region. Ms
	Brülhart actively participates in efforts by industry associations and
	intergovernmental organizations to develop guidance for companies on the
	responsible sourcing of raw material. She holds a M.A. degree in international
	relations from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Switzerland and
	is based in Bujumbura, Burundi.
Eva Carlson	As GIA's first Director, Global Ethics and Corporate Compliance, Eva Carlson is
Director, Global Ethics and Corporate Compliance	responsible for the Institute's Ethics and Corporate Compliance Program;
Gemological Institute of America (GIA)	including helping to ensure legal and regulatory compliance, Laboratory process

integrity, Education accreditation and licensing, and furthering an organizational culture of ethics and compliance. Reporting to GIA's President & CEO and the Chair of GIA's Audit Committee of the Board of Governors, Eva's focus in the last year has been to build her team, conform priorities to organizational objectives, manage GIA's anti-corruption program and oversee the annual global review of GIA's Laboratory processes by an independent firm, including the firm's regular, on-site walk-throughs of all GIA Laboratories. Eva also ensures the implementation of global corporate compliance initiatives and ethics and compliance training for all staff. In 2011, she lead GIA's team effort toward achieving RJC certification. As an advocate of human rights, on a personal basis, Eva and her family provide strong support for the work of the International Justice Mission, a human rights agency that brings rescue to the poor who are victimized by slavery and other forms of violent oppression. Eva has a Master's Degree in Social Work, with a focus in health and child welfare. She is published in Child Welfare, a professional peer-reviewed journal. Eva states that it has been an honor to work for GIA since 2001. **Assheton Stewart Carter** Dr. Carter has launched, led and participated in standards and "best practices" Senior Vice President, Global Engagement, initiatives with the energy and mining industries since 1996, including the Energy **Equitable Origin** and Biodiversity Initiative; the Better Coal Initiative; the Business and Biodiversity Offset Program; the Global Reporting Initiative; the Climate, Community and Biodiversity Alliance; the Association for Responsible Mining; and, the Voluntary Principles of Security and Human Rights. He is currently SVP for Global Engagement at Equitable Origin, an international standard setting, certification and certificate trading organization; Senior Advisor to Goldlake Group, an innovative Italian gold mining company; and, Managing Director at Spartacus Capital Mining Fund, an ESG=focussed private equity firm investing in junior mining companies. Dr. Carter conceived the first fully traceable line of gold and diamond jewelry, Love, Earth, that links the worlds' largest retailer, Wal-Mart, with mining companies, refiners and manufacturers. From 2009 to 2011 in partnership with the tin and tungsten industry he built a program to assure the physical traceability of 'conflict- free' metals from the Great Lakes Region for use by electronics manufacturers in the U.S.A. In 2011 Dr. Carter launched a new standard for responsibly sourced recycled silver and gold in the U.S. market. Education: Ph.D., Business Strategy and Sustainability, International Mining, University of Bath, School of Management, United Kingdom Charles Chaussepied Charles Chaussepied is currently Director of Corporate Affairs at Piaget, Branch of Manufacture Director Richement International SA. He also functions as a Consultant for Richemont Piaget Brands and entities such as Montblanc, Roger Dubuis, Ralph Lauren W&J, RIMS as well as for international brands such as Dolce & Gabbana, Meyers jewellery ltd and Prowatch Sa. Charles has held leading positions in global development and restructuring for over 20 years, combined with extensive experience in strategy development and implementation, restructuring and turnaround, as well as business process integration. He is a Member of the Executive Committee of the Responsible Jewellery Council and a Member of the Board of the French Association of Jewellery (BJOP). He is fluent in French, English and German. Larry Drummond General Manager and Senior Financial Executive with over 30 years in the President and Corporate Area Vice President Precious Metals Industry working for Engelhard Corporation and Metalor Technologies. Served the industry as President of the International Precious Metalor Technologies USA Corporation Metal Institute (IPMI). Larry is currently a member of IPMI Executive Committee and BOD. He was recently appointed to serve on the LBMA Regulatory committee. Larry's current role is President and Corporate Area Vice President for the Americas for Metalor where he runs a \$7 billion dollar, six site, Precious Metal Operations for gold and silver refining and fabricated products. He joined Metalor in 2006 as CFO. Larry held a variety of roles at Engelhard

	including : General Manager of the Precious Metal Technologies and Coatings
	businesses; CFO and Group Controller for Environmental Technologies; and Group Controller for Engineered Materials. His roles include full P&L responsibility with proven expertise in the building, developing, and turnarounds of domestic and international operations.
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Stéphane Fischler	Fischler was born in Antwerp in 1958. He is a third-generation diamantaire who
Treasurer International Diamond Manufacturers Association	started working at Fischler Diamonds in 1979. Stephane is currently a partner in the company. Over the years he has held many executive positions in various industry bodies. He has served as Vice President of SBD (the Belgian Diamond Manufacturers Association) since 1994. He also served as Vice President of IDMA from 1996 to 1997 and Secretary-General/Treasurer of IDMA from 1998 to 2008.He is currently the IDMA's treasurer.
	Stephane is a founding member of the World Diamond Council (WDC). He was a member of its steering committee until 2008, and in 2006 was elected
	vice chairman. He has also been HRD's Treasurer from 2005 till 2008 as well as Vice President of what is now called the Antwerp World Diamond Center-AWDC in 2006. He has been re-elected as Vice President in 2010 and serves as chairman of the AWDC Task Force.
	He is currently serving as chairman of the International Diamond Council and as a board member of the Diamond Development Initiative-DDI. Stephane has been active and engaged with the CRJP, now RJC since the very early stages. Sharing his experience of diamond manufacturing and trade with others stakeholders involved in defining standards for the RJC certification system. He has been nominated by the IDMA, representing 16 member organizations spread around the globe, to continue to participate in defining solid standards for the RJC. As such it is not the local but the global challenges and dynamics of the diamond industry that he brings to the table.
Cecilia Gardner	Cecilia L. Gardner is currently President, CEO and General Counsel of the Jewelers
President, CEO and General Counsel Jewelers Vigilance Committee	Vigilance Committee (JVC), a not-for-profit trade association dedicated to compliance with laws pertaining to the jewelry industry. She also holds the position of General Counsel to the World Diamond Council, an international association whose purpose is to end the trade in conflict diamonds. She also serves as General Counsel and Director of the United States Kimberley Process Authority Institute and on the President's Council and Executive Committee of CIBJO, an international confederation of jewelry trade associations.
	A graduate of Smith College and Hofstra University School of Law, Ms. Gardner's professional career included positions as a federal prosecutor at the Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. As an Assistant United States Attorney, she specialized in narcotics, money laundering, organized crime and white-collar cases. Her positions included appointments as the Deputy Chief of the Narcotics Unit and as Attorney-in-Charge in the Long Island Office. Her work included numerous international investigations and prosecutions. Ms. Gardner was an Adjunct Professor at Hofstra University School of Law, where she taught International Criminal Law and Advanced Criminal Procedure.
	Ms. Gardner currently serves as a director on the Boards of the Manufacturers, Jewelers and Suppliers of America and Jewelers for Veterans. Previously she served on the Boards of Jewelers for Children and the Woman's Jewelry Association. She is a member of the 24 Karat Club of New York City.
Mark Gershburg Chief Executive Officer Gemmological Science International	Mark Gershburg is a gem lab veteran with over 30 years experience, beginning as a grader in 1980. In 2005 he launched Gemological Science International (GSI), a full-service, high-tech lab designed specifically to meet the rapidly changing needs of the jewelry industry in the 21st century. Prior to founding GSI, Mr. Gershburg was CEO of EGL-USA. As GSI's CEO Mr. Gershburg became known for innovative leadership and a dedication to professionalism. He created one of the most efficient grading operations in the industry and built GSI into one of the three largest gem labs in the USA. In addition to its headquarters in NYC's

	Diamond District, it has labs in India, Israel and Belgium.
	Mr. Gershburg is a member of the Diamond Dealers Club in both NY and Antwerp
	and is actively involved in the World Diamond Council. He serves as one of three directors of the U.S. Kimberly Process Authority and is on the Jewelers Vigilance Committee board of directors.
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Rob Headley Chief Connecting Officer	Robert Headley is a founding member of RJC and has been an alternate Board
Chief Operating Officer	Member since its inception. He has actively participated in RJC's development,
Jewelers of America	serving as chair of the People Committee, co-chair of the Standards Committee, a
	member of the Executive Committee and, currently, a member of the Standards
	Committee and its Advisory Panel. He is the Chief Operating Officer of Jewelers of
	America, the largest fine-jewelry trade association in the U.S. with a membership
	of more than 3,000 retail and supplier firms. He represents the interests of these
	firms on the Standards Committee, as it works to develop a comprehensive
	chain-of-custody process.
	Headley brings decades of industry experience to RJC. A former VP of Technical
	Services at Tiffany & Co., he oversaw its stringent quality control standards for 20
	years. He has also served on the boards of the Jewelers Vigilance Committee,
	Jewelers Security Alliance and MJSA.
Wilfried Hörner	Dr. Wilfried H. Hörner is currently Associate & Director of Argor-Heraeus SA. He
Associate & Director	has had an extensive career at Argor-Heraeus for over 30 years. His roles have
Argor-Heraeus	included Head of Research & Development, Technical Director of Heraeus Ltd.,
	Hong Kong, Vice President Marketing Chemicals, Hong Kong, Senior Vice
	President Operations & Deputy General Manager, Hong Kong, Sales Manager
	World (Chemicals and Refining) and Technical Director. Wilfried studied
	Chemistry at University of Würzburg and also holds a PhD. In addition he is fluent
	in German, English and Italian.
Jennifer Horning	Jennifer Horning is the international coordinator of the Gold Programme at
Gold Program Coordinator	Solidaridad, where she guides the development of the organisation's strategy for
Solidaridad	assisting the most vulnerable people in the gold supply chain to build better
	livelihoods. In this capacity, Jennifer manages projects that improve the
	environmental and social practices in artisanal and small-scale mining
	communities, as well as at industrial mines. She provides support to
	Solidaridad's regional offices in Latin America and Africa on local project
	implementation. Jennifer also works to increase market access for responsible
	gold mining communities by setting up buying relationships with European
	jewellers. Because Solidaridad uses the Responsible Jewellery Council and the
	Fairtrade and Fairmined standards in its work, Jennifer has a good working
	knowledge of these standards. She has been a member of the RJC Consultative
	Panel since 2010. Prior to joining Solidaridad, Jennifer co-founded and was
	project director for Ethical Metalsmiths, a U.Sbased initiative that leads
	metalsmiths and jewellers in advocating for better mining practices. As a
	practicing attorney in Washington, D.C. and San Francisco from 2002 through
	2009, Jennifer worked on behalf of public and private sector clients on issues
	related to the extractive industries. This included work on the largest toxic
	cleanup site in the U.S., the historic gold and copper mines of Butte, Montana.
	Jennifer also completed a clerkship in the Office of the U.S. Trade
	Representative's Environment Division and a fellowship in environmental policy
	in Madagascar. Before attending law school, Jennifer was the new business
	coordinator for the Middle East division of Chemonics International, a
	Washington-based international development consulting firm. Jennifer has an
	undergraduate degree in Business Management from Skidmore College and a
	Juris Doctor from Vermont Law School, with a specialisation in environmental law
	and policy. In her free time, Jennifer is a recreational metalsmith. She is based in
Foliv Heurobko	Utrecht, the Netherlands.
Felix Hruschka	Felix is a mining/metallurgical engineer with a PhD in mineral economics.
Standards Coordinator Alliance for Responsible Mining	Between 1993 and 2007 he acted as resident project manager in various bilateral
Alliance for Responsible Mining	artisanal and small-scale mining development projects in Latin America. During that time, in 2005, the Alliance for Responsible Mining (ARM) invited Felix to join
	its Technical Committee for the development of a standard for responsible

Juliane Kippenburg	artisanal gold mining. Back in Austria since 2007 and having extended the scope of his work to Asia and Africa, his services for bi- and multilateral development agencies as well as for the private, public and academic sector continue to emphasize on empowerment of artisanal miners. In early 2009 Felix was appointed Standards Coordinator of ARM. Juliane Kippenberg is a Senior Researcher in the Children's Rights Division of
Senior Researcher, Africa Children's Rights Division Human Rights Watch	Human Rights Watch, and has worked at Human Rights Watch since 1999. She has carried out human rights research in Africa for many years. She has extensively worked on child labor and corporate responsibility and published two reports on the topic; "Bottom of the Ladder" (2007) which deals with exploitation and abuse of girl domestic workers in Guinea, and "A Poisonous Mix" (2011), which addresses child labor, mercury and artisanal gold mining in Mali. She also has developed expertise on sexual violence in armed conflict and on children's access to health care in Kenya. Prior to her work at Human Rights Watch, she worked as Campaigner at the International Secretariat of Amnesty International. She holds an MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights from the University of London, and a State's Exam in African History and French from the University of Hamburg, Germany.
Patrick Laine Director of Corporate Partnerships WWF - UK	Patrick Laine is the Director of Corporate Partnerships at WWF. The mission of this role is to serve as the 'critical friend' of business, helping them to understand the environmental footprint of their value chain, and then working with them to develop strategies to reduce or eliminate these impacts. Patrick has led and supported numerous global and UK corporate partnerships and also serves on advisory boards for a number of industries. Prior to joining WWF he spent over twenty years as the President of divisions of large multinational corporations. His duties included oversight of factories in the USA, Europe, Asia and Latin America. Patrick has an MBA from Stanford University.
Estelle Levin Director Estelle Levin Ltd (Development Consultancy)	Estelle Levin is director of Estelle Levin Limited, a boutique development consultancy providing research, analysis, and advisory services on natural resources governance and sustainable supply chains. ELL works to assist its multilateral, government, corporate, & NGO clients unleash the development potential of mineral assets to build a resilient future for them and their stakeholders. Estelle has over 10 years working on the political economy, management and sustainability of oil & minerals supply chains, with a specialism in artisanal and small scale mining. Estelle has experience developing, evaluating, and integrating into corporate management systems and mining communities over seventeen standards and certification initiatives for responsible mineral trading chains (e.g. the range of conflict-free minerals systems, Fairtrade, etc.).
	Estelle was involved in the RJC Committee to develop its Mining Supplement in 2007, and in the Chain of Custody Standard Committee in 2011. She is Technical Director of ASM-PACE, a multi-year programme partnership between Estelle Levin Limited and WWF (the World Wildlife Fund / the World Wide Fund for Nature) designed to address the environmental impacts of Artisanal and Small Scale Mining (ASM) whilst building on its economic, social, and empowermentpotential in some of the world's most important ecosystems. (See www.asm-pace.org .) Estelle has a Masters degree with Honours in Geography from the University of
	Edinburgh in Scotland, and a Geography Masters from the University of British Columbia in Canada, where she specialised in the theory and praxis of Sustainability in natural resources management and regional development.
Stanley Lurie Strategy, Marketing & New Business Development OroAfrica	Stan Lurie heads up the Strategy, Marketing and New Business Development portfolio at OROAFRICA (PTY) Limited (OA), S.A's leading jewellery manufacturing company. He has spearheaded OA's newest responsible gold initiative and has collaborated with Rand Refinery (RR) in developing and launching a number of gold wedding band ranges featuring certified traceability and full Chain of Custody from mine to refine to retail.
	Extensive senior management experience was gained at one of S.A.'s leading

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Alan Martin Research Director - Directeur de Recherche Partnership Africa Canada - Partenariat Afrique Canada	retail organisations. Thereafter Stan served as MD of a strategic marketing company, consulting to blue chip clients and brands on a wide range of topics including strategic marketing, brand positioning and development, environmental, sustainable, ethical and social responsible initiatives. On a personal note, Stan is an avid collector of natural gemstones, minerals and fossils from around the world. He is passionate about ecology, sustainability and protecting our environment. Alan Martin is the research director for Partnership Africa Canada, one of the first organizations to make the link between the trade of rough diamonds and civil war. Prior to joining PAC, he worked as an investigative researcher in the office of a political leader in Canada's Parliament. A journalist by training he spent over a decade working in journalism in Canada, the UK and various countries in sub-
	Saharan Africa. He has also taught international journalism as an Adjunct Professor within Carleton University's School of Journalism and Communication. Born and raised in Southern Africa, he holds a Master's degree in conflict and development from the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London.
Ngomesia Mayer-Kechom Manager, International Programs Diamond Development Initiative	In Ngomesia's current role as Manager, International Programs at the Diamond Development Initiative (DDI International), he coordinates DDI's ongoing Development Diamond Standards™ (DDS) project. Before joining DDI in 2009, his international development work focused on creating political space for a legislative strengthening project in the CEMAC Region, on behalf of a US-based law firm where he worked as International Affairs Advisor. Prior to that, Ngomesia worked at various non-governmental, inter-governmental and government agencies in Cameroon, Israel, England and Trinidad & Tobago. His experience covers policy development, social research, program management and building cross-sector partnerships locally and internationally. Ngomesia attended Duke University where he obtained a graduate degree in International
Steven Oates SAI Senior Advisor, Labor Standards Social Accountability International	Development Policy. He also holds a law degree. Steven Oates is an English solicitor by profession, and since September 2010 has been a freelance consultant on international labor standards; corporate social responsibility; human rights; social and labor rights at work and in development; gender equality; economic and social rights and globalization. Previously, he was Senior Adviser on Rights at Work in the office of the ILO Executive Director for Standards and Rights, and had also served as regional adviser on labor standards in Africa. He has long experience in supervision of the application of standards in the ILO, with a special interest in employment policy instruments. His work has been aimed at obtaining better implementation of standards through cooperation in the field, work with IFIs and CSR. He has studied also at Moscow, Tokyo and Harvard universities. Steven represents Social Accountability International in Geneva; and starting 2012 he is also the Geneva representative of Lawyers Without Borders.
Andrew Parsons Environmental Policy Advisor Anglo-Gold Ashanti	Andrew Parsons is Environmental Policy Advisor at AngloGold Ashanti. He joined the company in 2007. He is responsible for helping to define the company's environmental policies, strategies and guidelines, and its responses to international environmental issues. He was previously Program Director: Environment, Safety and Health at the International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM), an association of leading mining and metals companies, based in London. He worked at the Chamber of Mines of South Africa from 1994 – 1997 and 2000 – 2004 in the fields of environmental, safety and technology policy. He was seconded to the United Nations Environment Programme in Paris, from 1998 – 1999.
Jon Phillips Senior Manager Corona Jewellery Company Ltd	Jon Philips is currently Senior Manager at Corona Jewellery Company Ltd, Canada's Largest Jewellery Manufacturer. Previously he has held positions at BHP-Billiton Diamonds and Henry Birks & Sons Limited. Jon is an ethical certified and graduate gemologist with extensive experience as a leader in the national and international jewellery community. He contributes a sound planning background to develop and launch focused strategies and offers a consistent record of business success. He responds to changing circumstances through transparent leadership, communication and collaboration.

Marcelle Shoop Marcelle Shoop is Principal Adviser, Sustainable Development & Product Principal Adviser Stewardship for Rio Tinto in the Americas. Ms. Shoop is focused on leading Sustainable Development & Product Stewardship efforts to improve Rio Tinto's performance as a global leader in sustainable Americas development and product stewardship. This includes Rio Tinto's commitment to **Rio Tinto** biodiversity, our approach to water, energy and climate change, and responsible supply chain practices. Prior to her current role, Ms. Shoop managed Rio Tinto's federal climate change policy strategy for the US business units. She also served has Director of Sustainable Development for Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation, a copper mining, smelting and refining operation near Salt Lake City, Utah, US. In that role Ms. Shoop led efforts to integrate sustainable development and product stewardship practices into Kennecott's business model. She also served as legal counsel for the company, with a primary focus on environmental and natural resource matters. **Rvan Taylor** Ryan Taylor is the chief designer & co-founder of the Fair Trade Jewellery Chief Designer & Co-founder Company in Toronto, Canada, which on Valentine's day 2011 became the only The Fair Trade Jewellery Co. company in North America, and only one of a handful internationally, to produce jewellery using Fairtrade Fairmined Certified gold. The organisation extended its position among leading independent ethical luxury brands by also achieving RJC certification for retail and manufacturing operations in 2012. A Graduate Goldsmith, Ryan has studied under a diverse collection designers, jewellers, goldsmiths, and artists. As a result, his work emphasises premium standards in quality of design and production, business ethics, and responsibly sourced materials. When not in his studio he continues to promote the Good work of the industry with various Governments and Non Governmental agencies, and spending time with his incredibly supportive Wife and Daughter. Iris Van der Veken Iris Van der Veken is a senior executive with over 11 years of global experience in Manager Corporate Affairs Global sustainability and stakeholder engagement at Rosy Blue, and a deep Rosy Blue NV understanding of successfully developing and embedding corporate sustainability in the core business. Iris has a proven track record in transformation management, strategic leadership and implementation of all aspects of sustainability practices in business, social and environmental areas within a complex supply chain across India, China, Japan, USA, South-Africa, Thailand, Sri-Lanka, Israel, Armenia, UAE and Belgium. Iris was actively involved from the inception of the RJC in 2005; she managed a first pilot project for RJC in India and Dubai to test the draft standard in the process of the further development of the RJC Code of Practices. She has been a member of the RJC Communications Committee since 2009. She managed the RJC certification of Rosy Blue NV and its affiliates and associates, reflecting 28 legal entities in 13 countries. Iris has showed pioneer work in corporate sustainability reporting in the diamond industry, which has resulted in annual reporting to society according to the **Global Reporting Initiative** $(\underline{https://rosyblue.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/pdf/Rosyblue_CSR.pdf}).$ She has established the Belgian Network of the United Nations Global Compact, and was appointed Chair in February 2010- www.globalcompact.be. Iris is also a guest lecturer in sustainability for the Master Program at the Antwerp Management School.