

NEWS RELEASE

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SUPERGEMS NV CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON – The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) today announced that Supergems NV, the Antwerp-based diamond cutting and polishing manufacturer, has achieved certification meeting the ethical, human rights, social and environmental standards as established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC warmly congratulates Supergems NV on its certification. The successful verification assessment of Supergems NV was conducted by Stefaan Beirens from WF&Co, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification System," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"The philosophy of the Supergems Group 'Where Trust is a tradition' has been part of all its business processes, from the purchasing of rough diamonds to the marketing of polished diamonds. By achieving RJC certification, we have formalised our strong commitment to responsible business practices, from a product, service and humanitarian perspective. Supergems is proud to join the growing list of RJC certified members and will strive to ensure that the RJC mandate is propagated amongst its clients globally," says Sachiv Mehta, Director of Supergems NV.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 330 member companies committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. Their commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery products. The Council has developed the RJC Member Certification System, a certification system, which will apply to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery supply chain. All Commercial Members of the RJC are required to be audited by accredited, third-party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices and become certified under the RJC Member Certification System. A full list of its Members can be found on the web at www.responsiblejewellery.com

About Supergems NV

Established in 1972, Supergems NV is a part of the Supergems Group, which has offices in Antwerp, Mumbai, Surat, New Delhi, Hong Kong, Dubai, and New York. Supergems NV has been certified by the Responsible Jewellery Council. Based in Antwerp, Supergems NV is one of the main rough sourcing arms of the group, and a distributor of certified polished diamonds for Europe, the Far East, Middle East, and North America.

More information on www.supergemsgroup.com

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