

## NEWS RELEASE

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### RUBEL & MÉNASCHÉ – RE-CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that the French diamond trader, Rubel & Méнасché, has achieved Re-Certification by meeting the ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC congratulates Rubel & Méнасché on achieving Re-Certification. After a Member has become RJC Certified for the first time, independent verification is required at the end of each certification period to ensure continued conformance and to maintain Certified Member status. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Marie-Charlotte Druésne from Ernst & Young et Associes (France), one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"After obtaining the first Responsible Jewellery Council Certification in 2010, today, we are very proud that we have achieved this goal for the second time. And, what is more, for the longest possible period of time, that is to say three years! The Certification gives concrete expression to the continuous improvement of our operation and process to ensure, for example, the follow-up and monitoring of the anti-corruption measures that we have implemented; or to study the financial and societal risks of our economic partners. This renewed RJC Certification is an important step in our desire to pursue the RJC Chain of Custody Certification. We will continue to follow this path," says Christophe L'Hoir, Head of General Services at Rubel & Méнасché.

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 460 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 [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit [www.responsiblejewellery.com](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### About Rubel & Méнасché

Established in 1950, Rubel & Méнасché, a historical player in the diamond industry, supplies the top jewellers in the world with exceptional diamonds, tailor-cut and sorted.

The diamond dealer, with its re-cutting workshop (6 cutters, one of whom has earned the title of Best Craftsman in France - *Meilleur Ouvrier de France* - and another who is competing for the next title) and its innovative industrial processes and advanced services, is to date one of the few select Parisian workshops to offer such high-quality diamonds in such short time frames. For more than 15 years now, the company has endeavoured to introduce respectful work methods for every

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link of the chain, ensuring the ethical, social, interdependent and environmental monitoring of the diamonds it selects. Furthermore, on June 28, 2013, Rubel & Ménasché was awarded the [French Living Heritage Company](#) (EPV) label in recognition of its exceptional expertise and procedures, as well as the passing on of the latter.

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