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AKOSTAR BVBA

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF
THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: 0000 1450

DURATION: 3 Year

PERIOD: 30 October 2018 - 30 October 2021

STANDARD: Code of Practices 2013

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CODE
OF
PRACTICES



CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Diamond Trader and/or Cutter and Polisher
AUDIT DATE	25 September 2018
AUDIT TYPE	First Certification
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2013
ACCREDITED AUDIT FIRM	Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren
CERTIFICATION SCOPE	Akostar BVBA, Antwerp, Belgium - Diamond Trading.
APPLICABLE PROVISIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. General requirements: 1-4, except 3.22. Responsible supply chains and human rights: 5-12, except 6.2, 7.1, 9.3, 11.2-4 & 12.13. Labour rights and working conditions: 13-20, except 19.34. Health, safety and environment: 21-25, except 21.105. Diamonds, gold and platinum group metal products: 26-28, except 28.1-46. Responsible mining sector: Not applicable

PROVENANCE
CLAIMS

Not applicable.

AUDITOR STATEMENT
OF CONFORMANCE

Based on the scope and findings of the certification audit, the member has demonstrated a conformance level consistent with a:

3 Year Certification

NEXT AUDIT TYPE

MID-TERM REVIEW (within 12-24 months):

- A. Mid-term review NOT required due to:**
 - No anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
 - <25 full time equivalent personnel
 - Low risk of non-conformances due to management controls
 - Existence of parallel audits for schemes recognised by RJC
 - Existence of rigorous internal audit programs
 - Strong internal controls ensuring effective review and closure of corrective actions for non-conformances.
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- B. Mid-term review (desktop only) required due to:**
 - No impact on conformance levels from any changes to the certification scope
 - 2 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or 4 or less minor non-conformances in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
 - Possibility of remote verification of actions.
 - No risk to critical provisions.

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- C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:**
 - Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
 - Member no longer supporting external standards and initiatives recognised by RJC
 - 3 or more minor non-conformances with critical provisions or 5 or more minor non-conformances not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's for any non-mining sector member of individual mining facility, if the member is in the mining sector
 - New systems and controls for critical provisions that could not be tested at the certification audit
 - Need to test new systems and controls ensuring respect for critical provisions
 - Facilities with risk of non-conformances with critical provisions
 - Other reasons presented by the lead auditor necessitating an onsite verification.

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