



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES DR. BERNHARD BURGER AG

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Dr. Bernhard Burger AG, the Dietlingen - based refiner, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Dr. Bernhard Burger AG on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Maaïke Wycisk-Timpert from Bureau Veritas, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"This RJC certification proves that Dr. Bernhard Burger AG is a responsible business partner sharing and supporting the principles of the RJC. The RJC certification is very important for us and we are happy to receive official proof of the corporate values we live by. RJC Certification is a way to strengthen consumers' trust in the jewellery industry," says Dr. Bernhard Burger, the founder and Chairman of Dr. Bernhard Burger AG.

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 440 member companies. RJC and its Members are 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. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. 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 Dr. Bernhard Burger AG

Dr. Bernhard Burger AG was established in 1997 by Dr. Bernhard Burger and it stands for friendly, reliable and competent services provided to everything on the subject of precious metals. The company owns state-of-the-art melting furnaces for scrap processing, a cutting-edge laboratory as well as a new plant for the beneficiation of sweepings. BURGER sweepings are treated in accordance with the very strict legal regulations of the Federal Immission Control Act.

Beside our scrap services and our sweepings refining, our customers benefit from our extensive stock of semi-finished products and findings in all common alloys. Besides recycling precious metals from secondary raw materials such as old

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gold, we distribute semi-finished products made exclusively from recycled precious metals. Furthermore, our product range comprises the making of ring blanks or windings as well as customized production. Burger & Gyr Edelmetalle Recycling AG, a service provider to Dr. Bernhard Burger AG is included within the certification scope of Dr. Bernhard Burger AG. Burger & Gyr Edelmetalle also supplies Gyr Edelmetalle AG and they too have achieved RJC Certification. More information to be found at [www.burger-edelmetalle.com](http://www.burger-edelmetalle.com)

### **[RJC Certification Information Dr. Bernhard Burger AG](#)**

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