



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES IGC GROUP NV - ANTWERP

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that IGC Group NV - Antwerp, the Antwerp - based diamond company, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates IGC Group NV - Antwerp on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Roshini Wickramasinghe from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"For more than 100 years IGC Group NV has delivered high-end diamonds. Our objective is to provide our customers with the most beautiful diamonds combined with a state-of-the-art service. Part of this service is to give customers peace of mind that all our activities adhere to the most stringent norms and regulations. The RJC certification of our Antwerp-based operation confirms who we are and who we are willing to be in the future: dynamic, transparent and willing to give the best of ourselves," says Jacques Claes, CEO of IGC Group NV.

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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 IGC Group NV

Founded in Antwerp in 1912, IGC Group NV is one of the oldest DTC Sight holders and diamond manufacturers within the industry. With offices in Antwerp, New York, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Chennai; and high-tech manufacturing facilities in Thailand, Laos and Botswana; and the support of 1,500 dedicated employees – its approach is truly global. As a specialised

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manufacturer focusing on the finest make of round brilliants, fancy and single cuts IGC Group NV delivers finely made diamond selections in the most precise measurements. For more information please visit [www.igcgroup.com](http://www.igcgroup.com)

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