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Conflict Minerals Legislation – How does it impact Indian gold suppliers?

LONDON – RJC is part of the India International Jewellery Show's (IJS) education program. The program, organised by the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC), and sponsored by Gemological Science International (GSI) host a series of industry experts during the four day education series entitled "Spectrum Seminar – Innovate to Grow".

RJC's session focuses on "Gold - Conflict Minerals Legislation and what it means in India". The session is on Saturday, 19 July at 2pm and features Dr Fiona Solomon, RJC's Director, Standards Development. Dr Solomon will discuss supply chain due diligence in relation to legislations in the US and the European Union and how it affects gold jewellery suppliers in India.

"India's dynamic jewellery manufacturing sector plays a vital role in the global jewellery supply chain. For those Indian companies that export gold jewellery to the EU and US and want a clear understanding of the current legislations in both these regions relating to conflict minerals, it is very important to attend this session. India is a focus market in 2014 for RJC. Its goal is to enhance local engagement and Member support and these sessions presented by RJC Members like GSI are most appreciated," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer – Interim.

"GSI is a proud member of RJC and we are more than happy to sponsor this important event. Winston Churchill said "Responsibility is the Price of Greatness". From KP to doing good for our employees, partners and customers, we are a great industry, and nobody represents our values better than the Responsible Jewellery Council," says Mark Gershburg, CEO, GSI.

RJC currently has 50 Members headquartered in India, 31 of which are Certified Members.

The four day seminar series entitled "Innovate to Grow" will also cover the following topics:

- *Train to Gain (skill development)*
- *Identification of Synthetic Diamonds: Current Scenario*
- *Leverage your experience in Chinese Market*
- *Chain Stores: Opportunities, Perceptions and Fears*
- *Different facets of family business*
- *Emerging Opportunities in the Middle East Market*

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- *The Secrets of Good Retailing*
- *Gold – Conflict Minerals Legislation and what it means in India*
- *Translating trends into Contemporary Design*
- *Dimensions in Finance and Marketing*
- *Exotic World of Design, Colors & Trends*
- *Youth: Mindset, System & Management*
- *E-commerce & Social Media: The New Age of Retailing*

Knowledge partner Rio Tinto. To view the program and to register click [here](#)

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 480 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.

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