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## HEIMERLE + MEULE GMBH

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF
THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: 0000 1392 DURATION: 3 Year

PERIOD: 06 August 2018 - 06 August 2021

STANDARD: Code of Practices 2013

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## CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Gold and/or Platinum Group Metals Trader and/or Refiner and/or Hedger
AUDIT DATE	20-22 and 25 June 2018
AUDIT TYPE	Re-Certification
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2013
ACCREDITED AUDIT FIRM	SGS United Kingdom Limited
CERTIFICATION SCOPE	Heimerle+Meule GmbH, Pforzheim, Germany - Refining facility; Heimerle+Meule GmbH, Pforzheim, Germany - Warehouse facility; Heimerle+Meule GmbH, Vienna, Austria - Commercial facility.
APPLICABLE PROVISIONS	<ol> <li>General requirements: 1-4, except 3.2</li> <li>Responsible supply chains and human rights: 5-12, except 6.2,</li> </ol>
	7.1 and 11.3-4
	3. Labour rights and working conditions: 13-20, except 17.3
	4. Health, safety and environment: 21-25, except 21.10
	5. Diamonds, gold and platinum group metal products: 26-28, except 27 and 28
	6. Responsible mining sector: Not applicable

PROVENANCE CLAIMS	The gold which HEIMERLE+MEULE GMBH uses is Conflict-Free in accordance with LBMA Responsible Gold Guidance (RGG).
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
	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

$(\wedge)$	C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:
$\bigcirc$	Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope durin the certification period
	Member no longer supporting external standards and initiative recognised by RJC
$\bigcirc$	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 or 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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