



Responsible Jewellery Council

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EUROSTAR DIAMOND TRADERS JOINS THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON – The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) today announced that Eurostar Diamond Traders, one of the world’s leading suppliers of fine polished diamonds, has become a Member of the Council.

Eurostar Diamond Traders joins more than 260 companies and trade associations in the Council’s membership. In joining RJC, Eurostar Diamond Traders has agreed to align its commitment to transparent business endeavours with the RJC’s mission to advance ethical practices throughout the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. Eurostar Diamond Traders, like all other Commercial Members of the RJC, will be audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify its conformance with the RJC Code of Practices within two years of joining the Council.

“I am delighted that Eurostar Diamond Traders has joined the RJC. The core objective of the RJC is to strengthen and protect the reputation of the jewellery industry and through the strong participation of esteemed companies like Eurostar and its other 260 Members, the RJC will achieve its goals,” says Michael Rae, RJC’s Chief Executive Officer.

“The RJC is proud to welcome Eurostar, a leading company in every respect. With 6,000 employees and operations in 7 cities globally, Eurostar’s sales surpasses \$1,5 billion which gives it the leading position as the # 1 value-adding diamond company. Professionalism is at the foundation of Eurostar’s outstanding market reputation as they are amongst the few companies within the industry running on a globally-integrated SAP platform, which together with their in-house pioneered proprietary diamond cutting and polishing standards, provides clients with a sustainable competitive edge,” says John Hall, RJC’s Vice Chairman and General Manager, External Relations, Rio Tinto.

“By joining the RJC, we are proud to demonstrate our commitment to corporate social responsibility. As one of the premier diamond manufacturing factories in the world, Eurostar Diamond Traders has the highest regard for integrity and ethics and integrates these values in its daily business so as to actively contribute to sustainable development,” says Kaushik Mehta, Chairman, Eurostar Diamond Traders.

Founded in Antwerp, Belgium in 1978, Eurostar Diamond Traders is a global diamond conglomerate with operations in Antwerp, Dubai, Gaborone, Hong Kong, Mumbai, New York, and Shanghai.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 260 member companies 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. Their commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products.

The Council has developed the RJC Member Certification System, a certification system – which will apply to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Commercial Members of the RJC are required to be audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices and become certified under the RJC Member Certification System. A full list of its Members can be found on the web at

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About Eurostar Diamond Traders

Eurostar Diamonds Traders is a Sightholder of the Diamond Trading Company, the sales and marketing arm of the De Beers Group. The company is a leading global diamond conglomerate specialised in providing precisely calibrated diamonds, GIA certified diamonds, and other fine specialty diamonds to the world's most prestigious watch and jewellery brands. More information on

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