

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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### RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES SAFIMET S.P.A

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Safimet S.p.A., the Arezzo-based gold refiner has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Safimet S.p.A. on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Bruno Gariglio from Bureau Veritas, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"Sustainable development requirements are becoming increasingly vital to any company. At Safimet we take social responsibility very seriously. The RJC Certification allows us to apply and promote ethical behaviour, respect for human rights and social practice in a transparent and responsible way. Through an integrated management system, we commit to respecting the environment in all our activities and services. Safimet evaluates its business partners on ethics, human rights and environmental risks and we use our influence to promote responsible business practices," says Francesco Ricciardi, President of Safimet S.p.A.

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 460 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.

The RJC is a <u>Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance</u> – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit <u>www.responsiblejewellery.com</u>

## About Safimet S.p.A.

Specializing in precious metals' refining, Safimet offers refining services to the goldsmithery, electronic, catalysts, galvanic, decoration and dental industries. In addition to the recovery of precious metals, Safimet produces chemical products and galvanic salts for application in the goldsmith industry, electronic components and luxury items.

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RJC Certification adds to other Certifications obtained by Safimet (ISO9001/14001/EMAS). More information on  $\underline{www.safimet.com}$ 

**RJC Certification Information Safimet S.p.A.** 

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