



## NEWS RELEASE

### RJC RE-CERTIFIES SZWARCBURT DIAMOND TRADING CO BVBA

LONDON - RJC announced today that Szwarcburt Diamond Trading Co BVBA (SDTC) has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its trading office in Antwerp, Belgium. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

“It is a pleasure to announce SDTC has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are thrilled to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate SDTC,” says Andrew Bone, RJC’s Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Stefaan Beirens from Figurad Bedrijfsrevisoren, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

“We are delighted to have been re-certified by the RJC. SDTC shares and adheres to the highest ethical values and practices of our industry. In our very challenging environment, we strongly believe that the only way to maintain and develop the confidence of our partners and customers is to conduct ethical business practices in a complete transparent manner. The renewal of our certification reinforces our willingness to promote RJC standards and principles,” said Armand Szwarcburt, CEO of SDTC.

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 600 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 [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)

#### **[RJC Certification Information – Szwarcburt Diamond Trading Co BVBA \(SDTC\)](#)**

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