



Responsible Jewellery Council

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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL ANNOUNCING PRESS CONFERENCE AT 'VICENZAORO FIRST'

LONDON –The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) will hold a press conference at the Vicenza Trade Show 'VICENZAORO First' on Tuesday, 18 January, 2011, at 11:00 am at the conference room 'Sala Fogazzaro'.

The topic will be *"Certification in the jewellery industry: current achievements and future challenges."*

Addressing the event will be John Hall, Vice Chairman of the Council, joined by Nawal Aït-Hocine, Corporate Responsibility Director, Cartier International, Effie Marinos, Sustainability Manager, SGS United Kingdom Ltd, Fiammetta Dallari, Consumer Testing Services, Business Manager, SGS Italia, and Catherine Sproule, Chief Operations Officer, RJC.

The core objective of the RJC is to strengthen and protect the reputation of the jewellery industry. The Council has developed a benchmark standard for the industry, the RJC Member Certification, based upon established international principles for responsible business practices. The RJC Code of Practices outlines the objective and verifiable requirements against which RJC Members need to be certified within two years since they joined.

All Trade Media, RJC Members and exhibitors are invited and welcome to attend.

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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 www.responsiblejewellery.com

RJC Certified Members

Gay Frères http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/certification/Certification_Gay_Freres.pdf

Cartier http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/downloads/Certification_Info_Cartier.pdf

RAYMOND BLOCH SA <http://www.responsiblejewellery.com/members/documents/CertificationInformation-RAYMONDBLOCHSA.pdf>

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