Building responsible practices together
CIBJO/Vicenzaoro Seminar, Italy

Image courtesy of RJC member, Bulgari
The RJC Vision and Mission

• Our vision is a responsible world-wide supply chain that promotes trust in the global fine jewellery and watch industry.

• Our mission is to be the recognised standards and certification organisation for supply chain integrity and sustainability in the global fine jewellery and watch industry.
About RJC

Established in 2005, by the industry for the industry

1,200+ members covering mine to retail

146 RJC members are based in Italy

Large and small businesses from across the supply chain

Third party assurance system

Harmonisation and recognition of similar industry standards

Diamonds, gold, platinum group metals, silver and coloured gemstones (rubies, sapphires and emeralds)

Image courtesy of RJC member, Harriet Kelsall Jewellery
The value of RJC membership and certification

- Start a journey as a process of continuous improvement
- Join a community to drive consumer confidence across the supply chain
- Demonstrate leadership
- Stay ahead of legislation
- Achieve operational excellence in management systems
- Strengthen partnerships
- Manage risk, protect reputation, build brand equity
A community of confidence
Partnership with the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)

We have been a member of the UNGC since 2009

The implementation of the 42 Code of Practices (COP) provisions help contribute to the SDGs – by implementing the COP members can make a positive impact

There are five SDGs that are especially significant to the jewellery supply chain:

• Goal 5: Gender Equality
• Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
• Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production
• Goal 13: Climate Action
• Goal 17: Partnerships
Embedding the SDGs into organisation goals and policies
Key changes in the 2019 COP

1. Material scope
   Scope of the COP expanded to include coloured gemstones (rubies, emeralds, saphires) and silver

2. Due diligence
   Aligning the COP with the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas.

3. Disclosure
   New requirements for detection of undisclosed synthetic diamonds.

4. Working hours
   New guidance on working hours variations, in alignment with International Labour Organisation (ILO) standards.

5. Human rights and gender
   More guidance on human rights in alignment with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. Better inclusion of gender and vulnerable groups throughout the COP.

6. Environment
   Stronger requirements and guidance on environmental issues like climate change, water use and waste. Strengthened requirements for mining on tailings, biodiversity and cumulative and indirect impacts.
Becoming certified

Step 1: 2019 Self-Assessment

Step 2: Audit with RJC-accredited auditor

Step 3: Report

Step 4: Certification decision

Step 5: Review and re-certification
Celebrating 15 years of the RJC

• Thank you for your support

• Special thanks to our members, and CIBJO and team Italian Exhibition Group of the Jewellery and Fashion division

• We look forward to continuing our partnership
Dedicated team to ensure you’re successful

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