

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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#### **RJC RE-CERTIFIES CHOPARD & CIE S.A.**

LONDON - RJC announced today that Chopard & Cie S.A. has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its Headquarters, manufacturing facility, its global distribution subsidiaries and all Chopard owned boutiques across the globe.

"It is a pleasure to announce Chopard & Cie S.A. 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 delighted to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Chopard & Cie S.A.," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Franck Paucod from Mazars SA, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"Having been a certified member of the RJC since 2012, Chopard is proud of this re-certification. The Scheufele family and all Chopard team members are strong believers in the RJC Code of Practices and this renewal is a recognition of the efforts we undertake in further enhancing responsible business practices within our industry. We look forward to continue deploying our efforts in this field in the coming years", says Karl-Friedirch Scheufele, Co-President of Chopard.

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 700 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 Chopard & Cie. S.A.

Louis-Ulysse Chopard founded his workshop in 1860 in Sonvillier, the Swiss Jura. In 1963 the manufacture has been taken over and ever since owned by the Scheufele family which set its headquarters in Geneva. Internationally renowned for its watch and jewellery creations, Chopard employs today nearly 2000 staff members worldwide. It is an independent and vertically integrated group controlling the entire process from design to distribution through 1400 points of sales and 153 dedicated boutiques. Over 30 different crafts are practised in 4 manufacturing sites with a strong emphasis on in-house training. Chopard has built its reputation on iconic collections such as Happy Sport and Mille Miglia. The brand is also recognized for its High Jewellery creations and fine watchmaking expertise expressed through L.U.C collection. Inspired by its fundamental values of respect and tradition, Chopard is strongly committed to various philanthropic and social initiatives. Talking examples of these commitments are long-term partnerships with José Carreras International Leukaemia Foundation and the Alliance for Responsible Mining. Besides being the Official Partner of the Cannes International Film Festival and Official Partner of Porsche Motorsport, Chopard also supports legendary classic car events such as the Mille Miglia race in Italy and the Grand Prix de Monaco Historique. More information on <a href="https://www.chopard.com">www.chopard.com</a>

RJC Certification Information – Chopard & Cie S.A.

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