



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RJC CERTIFIES DRIJFHOUT

LONDON - RJC announced today that Drijfhout, a member of the international Heimerle+Meule Group, has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its manufacturing and trading facility in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

“It is a pleasure to announce Drijfhout has been certified against the 2013 COP. The 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 Drijfhout,” says Andrew Bone, RJC’s Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Roshini Wickramasinghe from SGS United Kingdom Limited, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

“We are very pleased to have achieved 3-year RJC certification as it confirms Drijfhout’s commitment to acting responsibly within the industry. We are committed to ensuring our company demonstrate that they operate to the very highest standards and take responsibility for the products supplied. This RJC Certification allows Drijfhout to support its customers by assuring them that when buying and using products purchased from us, they can do so with the knowledge that questions surrounding legislative, ethical, social, and environmental issues have been addressed,” says Chris Kuscher, Managing Director at Drijfhout.

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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 [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)

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**About Drijfhout**

Drijfhout is part of the international Heimerle+ Meule Group, located in Amsterdam and serving the Netherlands and Benelux market. Being a full service company, it supports all areas of the jewellery market, supplying its customers with consumables, tools, precious metal and finished jewellery. Additionally the company offers a range of services including refining and galvanic plating making it unique in its market.

For more information about Drijfhout, please visit the website [www.drijfhoutnl.com](http://www.drijfhoutnl.com)

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