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Niessing Manufaktur GmbH & Co. KG

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: DURATION: PERIOD: STANDARD:

0000 2097 3 Year 25 January 2021 - 25 January 2024 Code of Practices 2019

DAVID BOUFFARD CHAIRMAN

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CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Jewellery and Watch Manufacturer and/or Wholesaler
AUDIT DATE	22 November 2022
AUDIT TYPE	Mid-term Review (onsite)
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2019
ACCREDITED AUDIT FIRM	KPMG Cert GmbH
APPLICABLE PROVISIONS	 General requirements: 1-4, except 3.2 Responsible supply chains and human rights: 5-14, except 7.3, 8, 9, 11.3 and 13.2-4 Labour rights and working conditions: 15-22, except 19.3 and 21.3 Health, Safety and Environment: 23-27, except 23.10 and 27.4 Diamonds, gold and platinum group metal products: 28-30, except 28.2c-g,j, 28.3, 29.2 and 30 Responsible mining sector: Not applicable

PROVENANCE CLAIMS	Our suppliers (refineries) for precious metals confirm in written statements that gold and platinum we are using is exclusively from the recovery of secondary resources (recycling), which is also referred to as urban mining.	
AUDITOR STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE	Based on the scope and findings of the certification audit, the member has demonstrated a conformance level consistent with a:	
	3 Year Certification	
NEXT AUDIT TYPE	MID-TERM REVIEW (within 12-24 months):	
	A. Mid-term review NOT required due to:	
	No anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period	
	<25 full time equivalent personnel	
	Low risk of non-conformances due to management controls	
	Existence of parallel audits for schemes recognised by RJC	
	Existence of rigorous internal audit programs	
	Strong internal controls ensuring effective review and closure of corrective actions for non-conformances	
	B. Mid-term review (desktop only) required due to:	
	No impact on conformance levels from any changes to the certification scope	
	2 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or 4 or less minor non-conformances in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member	
	Possibility of remote verification of actions	
	No risk to critical provisions	

\bigcirc	C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:
\subset	Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
\bigcirc	Member no longer supporting external standards and initiatives recognised by RJC
\bigtriangledown	 3 or more minor non-conformances with critical provisions or 5 or more minor non-conformances not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's for any non-mining sector member or individual mining facility, if the member is in the mining sector
	New systems and controls for critical provisions that could not be tested at the certification audit
	Need to test new systems and controls ensuring respect for critical provisions
\bigcirc	Facilities with risk of non-conformances with critical provisions
	Other reasons presented by the lead auditor necessitating an onsite verification

CERTIFICATION SCOPE

<u>Business name of entity/facility</u> Niessing Manufaktur GmbH & Co. KG Niessing Manufaktur GmbH & Co. KG Location (City and Country) Düsseldorf, Germany Vreden, Germany <u>Business Activity</u> Design Manufacturing of jewellery

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