

The De Beers Group of Companies Publishes 10th Annual Report to Society

The De Beers Group of Companies today published its 10th annual Report to Society.

The report outlines the company's ongoing efforts to ensure diamond revenues drive social and economic development long into the future.

In order to achieve this, and to protect consumer confidence in diamonds, DeBeers continues to work in partnership with its stakeholders, and use its leadership position to raise responsible business standards across the whole sector.

Highlights from this year's report include:

- Ten year anniversary of the De Beers Best Practice Principles assurance programme, which now covers 320,000 people working across the diamond industry worldwide.
- More than US\$28 million invested in social projects, benefiting around 48,000 people.
- Improvement in safety performance, with no loss of life and a 15 per cent reduction in injury frequency rate.
- Environmental performance improvements, highlighted by almost US\$7 million of savings through reduced energy consumption and carbon emissions.

The 2015 Report to Society is available to download online and is supported by a Summary Review and the Building Forever sustainability hub – an online platform that brings the company's sustainability performance to life through case studies, interviews, films, news, social media and an interactive data centre.

De Beers is keen to hear your views on this year's report through a short survey it's running.

All feedback will remain anonymous; however, those providing an email address will be entered into a competition to win GBP £100* worth of gift vouchers for a retail store of your choice (*or equivalent local value- Terms and Conditions apply).