



## Press Release: figures April 2013 Antwerp diamond Industry

*Caroline De Wolf, Communications Manager AWDC: "In April the figures of the trade in rough diamonds increased as predicted. This is the result of the DTC sight that was scheduled in April. Last year it took place in March. The trade in polished goods increased in value. This is the result of the import and export of high valuable diamonds for the trade fairs in Basel and Hong Kong."*

### Trade in polished goods

Compared to April 2012, the volume of **exported** polished diamonds decreased 8.80 percent. However, in value terms, this translates into a 22.82 percent increase. The average price per carat of polished diamonds equaled 2,171 U.S. dollar this month. This is a 9.92 percent increase compared to last month when the average price was 1,975 U.S. dollar.

When we take a look at the import figures of **polished** diamonds, we see a drop of 8.72 percent in volume terms but a 8.41 percent rise in value terms, compared to April 2012.

### Trade in rough diamonds

As predicted last month, the figures of the trade in rough diamonds increased in April 2013. This is the result of the DTC sight that was scheduled in April. Last year it took place in March.

The **export** figures of rough diamonds show an increase of 32.96 percent in volume terms compared to April 2012. In value terms, this equals a rise of 27.83 percent. Compared to March 2013, we see an increase of 23.37 percent in volume terms and one of 8.80 percent in value terms.

By studying the **import** figures of rough diamonds, we see a 30.77 percent rise in volume terms and one of 38.35 percent in value terms, compared to April 2012. In comparison to last month, the volume of imported rough diamonds rose 8.60 percent, which translates into a 20.11 percent rise in value.

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