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IDMA congratulates Maurice Fischler on taking the helm at ADB

Antwerp, Belgium, – May 26, 2011: The International Diamond Manufacturers Association (IDMA) sent a congratulatory message to Maurice Fischler upon being appointed president of De Beurs voor Diamanthatel – Antwerp Diamond Bourse (ADB) earlier this month.

"The IDMA membership congratulates Maurice upon taking up the helm at the ADB and upon stepping in the footsteps of his predecessor, the late Arrtur Beller, and those of his own father, Bram Fischler, who served as ADB president from 1986 until his death in 2003," said Ronnie VanderLinden, IDMA Secretary General.

"We recognize the Fischler family's long-time contribution to the diamond industry and trade in Belgium, as well as in the international realm," VanderLinden continued. "Maurice will probably also lead the Federation of Belgian Diamond Bourses (FBDB). His cousin, Stephane Fischler, is IDMA Treasurer and also serves as Chairman of the International Diamond Council, the joint committee of IDMA and the World Federation of Diamond Bourses (WFDB). We all wish Maurice a successful term at the ADB," VanderLinden added.

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About IDMA

IDMA was founded and convened for the first time in 1946, in Antwerp. It is committed to fostering and promoting the highest ideals of honesty and best practice principles throughout the global diamond industry, as well as full compliance with all relevant national and international laws. The organization has developed and adopted a Code of Conduct, which is binding on all 15 member associations. IDMA also works to encourage fair and honorable practices and decent working conditions for industry employees; and to preserve, protect and promote consumer trust and confidence in diamonds. It encourages and supports social responsibility by the industry in respect to all citizens of the world. The Association has played an active role in establishing the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme and is a co-founder of the World Diamond Council.

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