The World Gold Council appoints Natalie Dempster to lead its Government Affairs team

The World Gold Council, the market development organisation for the gold industry, today announced that Natalie Dempster will lead its Government Affairs activities with immediate effect. The Government Affairs team works with policymakers and influencers globally, equipping them with tools and research to make an informed decision about the role of gold. She will report directly to Aram Shishmanian, CEO of the World Gold Council, and will be based in London.

Natalie joined the World Gold Council in 2006, where she is currently responsible for government affairs research as well as playing a key role in the active dialogue with central bankers, multilateral agencies and government regulators.

Prior to joining, she was an economist at The Royal Bank of Scotland and JP Morgan Chase. Natalie holds a BSc in Economics from Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London and an MBA from City University Business School (CASS), London.

Aram Shishmanian, CEO of the World Gold Council, said:

“Given the current economic and political environment, there is increasing complexity in the regulatory arena and Natalie will play a key role in helping guide and inform discussions affecting the use of gold within the financial system.”

Natalie is replacing George Milling-Stanley, who is retiring after a long and distinguished career with the World Gold Council. During his 15 years with the organisation, he has played a key part in numerous milestones within the industry including the creation of the first Central Bank Gold Agreement.

Aram Shishmanian, CEO of the World Gold Council, continued:

“George has made a significant contribution to developing the gold market over the past 15 years. We wish him all the best in retirement.”

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The World Gold Council is the market development organisation for the gold industry. Working within the investment, jewellery and technology sectors, as well as engaging in government affairs, our purpose is to provide industry leadership, whilst stimulating and sustaining demand for gold.

We develop gold-backed solutions, services and markets, based on true market insight. As a result, we create structural shifts in demand for gold across key market sectors.

We provide insights into the international gold markets, helping people to better understand the wealth preservation qualities of gold and its role in meeting the social and environmental needs of society.

Based in the UK, with operations in India, the Far East, Turkey, Europe and the US, the World Gold Council is an association whose members include the world’s leading and most forward thinking gold mining companies. For further information visit www.gold.org.