

Press Release

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Osmium-Institute Germany Launches New Branch to Fill Precious Metals Niche

MUNICH, Germany -6^{th} of November 2018 - The Osmium-Institute Germany, the global governing body for the certification of and international trade with crystalline osmium, is expanding its efforts this month and opening a new branches all over the world. The Osmium-Institutes will officially open for business on 5^{th} of November and will act as the central institution to launch the eighth and last precious metal in their respective countries.

Ingo Wolf, Director of the Osmium-Institute Germany with headquarters in Baierbrunn, Germany, expressed enthusiasm about the opening, stating "With key regulatory milestones having been reached, the opening of our new branches is an important step in expanding our global footprint to many of the most important financial centres worldwide. Having access to certified crystalline osmium, the rarest and most expensive of all precious metals, will benefit local and private investors, jewellers and manufacturers as we implement our global market launch."

The Osmium-Institute Germany has also opened up new locations in Hong Kong, Singapore, Switzerland, France, Belarus, Spain, Thailand, Indonesia, the United States and Australia in the last six months and is now seeking further international partners to gain global market coverage.

Ingo Wolf is well known in the area of strategic metals. Having developed gold and antimony exploration sites in Eastern Europe and operated several commodity news media outlets in the past, Mr Wolf is familiar with mine investment structures and well connected with decision-makers in the industry. Before focusing on osmium, Mr. Wolf has more recently been involved in successfully expanding markets for metals such as indium, gallium, germanium, hafnium and tantalum.

In the coming months, the newly founded branches will focus on raising the public profile of osmium and is seeking partnerships with established wholesalers to drive market penetration.

"Educating the market about the existence of osmium as a new and secure option for investment and premium jewellery will be the key to long-term success," says Dr Joerg Saxler, who heads the Sydney office.

An international team of commodity experts, customs and tax specialists has worked together over the last 18 months to support these objectives and established the international osmium database which stores certificates of authenticity of every single osmium piece and can be accessed from anywhere via Internet.

About the Osmium-Institutes:

Tasks:

Osmium-Institutes have the international task of introducing osmium to the regional markets. They provide native-speaker support in the marketing of osmium as well as training for investment advisors, processors, and organizations working with osmium.

Osmium is promoted as a jewelry and investment metal by osmium institutes and receives considerable support. This serves the purpose of providing information on high-temperature processing into jewellery and at the same time helping investors to check osmium for authenticity.

The current Swiss prices are published after each fixing via RSS feeds of the Osmium institutes in several currencies.

Purchase of osmium:

To purchase osmium, please contact retailers, financial institutions and wholesalers as well as jewelers who have received approval from Osmium-Institutes for trade and distribution. These organizations have an obligation to have a profound knowledge of osmium.

Some of them are listed on the websites of the regional Osmium-Institutes.

Process of osmium certification:

After being crystallized in Switzerland, all pieces of osmium are passed through the German Osmium-Institute. After chemical analysis and scan, the crystal structures are entered as "fingerprints" of the osmium crystals in the international osmium database and the internationally valid number and letter code is assigned (Osmium Identification Code - OIC).

Manifestations:

Unlike osmium sponge, crystallized osmium is non-toxic and completely harmless. Its appearance differs in the crystal lattice structure and thus changes the chemical properties of osmium. The metal belongs to the group of platinum metals and, like any precious metal, has the properties of special resistance to reactors.

2D-geometries:

Osmium is supplied in flat structures with a layer thickness of approximately one mm. Almost any shape can be cut by wire erosion. The rectangular shape is common for bars, which can be imported duty-free in many countries and countries as an investment instrument.

Safety instructions of the Osmium-Institutes apply for the cut. During processing, it is recommended that the regional Osmium-Institute approves the desired cutting forms. Certified cutting companies can also be commissioned directly by the institutes. For these cuts, if ordered over an Osmium-Institute, full insurance applies in the case of a false cut of the ordered form.

3D-geometries:

Osmium can be crystallized in structures up to 2cm in size on carbon cores. The core remains in the structure. It cannot be removed and in addition, serves to the stability of the 3D surface. Only topologically monovalent forms are possible which do not have through holes. The shapes must merge smoothly. Sharp edges and corners are not possible.

Forms of trade for crystallized Osmium:

The most common trading shapes are the Osmium-Disks and Osmium Medium Edged Bars. They are called osmium semi-finished products and are duty-free in many countries. These bars are supplemented by Osmium-Diamonds and Osmium -Stars.

Special shapes are simple geometries, silhouettes, and letters. 3D objects are only available in extremely small quantities and are rarely and usually only on request produced.

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More information about Osmium may be found here:

1. Osmium.info

Basic information for when first getting in touch with Osmium.

Covers all important information to pass the examination.

2. Osmium-training.com

A short explanation of the virtual academy and therefore the online training.

More information about courses and further training.

3. Osmium-institute.com

Covers the tasks of the Osmium-Institute and its employees.

Here, all international institutes are listed by their region.

4. Osmium-onboarding.com

Explains cooperation with the Osmium-Institutes.

A platform where new partners can register. Choose your code of reference here.

5. Osmium-sales.com

Website covering the sales partner's settlement and basic information.

Explanation of the marketing plan / earnings. Password: bigbang

7. Osmium-academy.com

Multi-language online training for jewellers and sale partners.

Here you can take the online examination anytime you want.

8. Buy-osmium.com

Online shop to buy Osmium and Osmium-Jewellery. Access for sales partners.

Branded shops for each sales partner.

9. Osmium-TV.com

This channel covers topics about Osmium, introduces new jewellery and new partners.

All new information is broadcasted in high definition and 4k resolution.

10. Osmium-dlc.com

Platform for pictures, texts, short films, brochures, posters, interviews.

The latest press information and posters can be downloaded here.

11. Osmium-Jewelry.com

This website lists all jewellers trading with Osmium worldwide.

Information how to process Osmium and work with the material including a safety guide.

12. Osmium-Preis.com

This website covers the current price of Osmium and the related charts.

Essential is the 1gr (0,035 oz) price to determine the material price.

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