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## **ASI certifies REAL ALLOY against Chain of Custody Standard**

**REAL ALLOY has achieved ASI Chain of Custody (CoC) Standard V1 (2017) Certification for the recycling of aluminium scrap and production of wrought and foundry alloys in Germany at its Grevenbroich and Deizisau plants, plus central strategic, administrative, and service functions managed by REAL ALLOY Europe Headquarters in Grevenbroich. At the same time the scope of the company's initial Performance Standard Certification, achieved in July 2021, was expanded to also include the Grevenbroich plant.**

Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI) today announced that two production sites plus the Europe Headquarters of REAL ALLOY in Germany have been certified against the ASI Chain of Custody Standard. The plants produce alloys to specification by converting aluminium scrap into recycled metal. This is delivered in solid or molten state to customers' foundries in a broad range of industries, including the automotive and packaging sectors.

The ASI Certification program was developed through an extensive multi-stakeholder consultation process and is the only comprehensive voluntary sustainability standard initiative for the aluminium value chain. The ASI CoC Standard sets out requirements for the creation of a Chain of Custody for material that is produced and processed through the value chain into diverse downstream sectors. The implementation of ASI's CoC Standard links verified practices at successive steps of the supply chain - certified under the ASI Performance Standard - to the products produced by ASI Certified Entities.

The independent, third-party audit of the REAL ALLOY operations and headquarters was carried out by TÜV Rheinland Cert GmbH.

Fiona Solomon, Chief Executive Officer at ASI said, "We congratulate REAL ALLOY on achieving ASI CoC Certification for its HQ and recycling facilities at Grevenbroich and Deizisau. Aluminium recycling makes a critically important contribution to circular supply chains. The ASI CoC Standard requires due

diligence on recyclable scrap to support responsible sourcing beyond just closing loops. ASI CoC Certification gives REAL ALLOY’s customers assurance that it has appropriate processes in place to address a range of supply chain risks.”

Russell Barr, Executive Vice President and Managing Director, Europe, said, “Following our initial certification against the Performance Standard last year we are very proud of having completed our next steps on our ASI journey, with the inclusion of our Grevenbroich plant in the Performance Standard (PS) certificate and with the successful initial certification against the Chain of Custody Standard for all our PS certified scope, now including our Grevenbroich plant, our Deizisau plant and our European HQ. Recycling is of immense importance for the sustainability of the whole aluminium value chain. Circular economy and low carbon footprint both depend on recycling. Making recycling more sustainable also beyond the environmental dimension is where we see much of the value of being an ASI member. We are now looking forward to supplying our customers with ASI Certified recycled aluminium!”

### **More information**

Consult the [REAL ALLOY Chain of Custody Standard summary audit report](#)

Consult the [REAL ALLOY member page](#)

### **ASI Certification process**

ASI’s Standards apply throughout the supply chain, from mining through to downstream sectors that use aluminium in their products. All current ASI members in the ‘Production and Transformation’ and ‘Industrial Users’ classes work towards their ASI certifications within two years of joining ASI. For more information, consult the [full list of ASI Members](#) as well as the list of [certified ASI Members](#).

ASI’s custom-built online assurance platform, elementAL, underpins the entire certification workflow for both the ASI Performance Standard and Chain of Custody Standard. ASI members seeking Certification and ASI Accredited Auditors use elementAL to manage self-assessments, audit planning,

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documentation of evidence and findings from site audits, and reporting. The ASI Secretariat also carry out oversight of submitted audit reports through elementAL, to ensure conformity with ASI's assurance procedures, before Certifications are issued.

Full ASI certification is valid for three years, usually with a surveillance audit at approximately 18 months. Provisional Certification is valid for 1 year, with a surveillance audit at approximately 6 months. More information is available in the [ASI Assurance Manual](#).

### **About ASI**

The Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI) is a global, multi-stakeholder, non-profit standards setting and certification organisation. It works towards responsible production, sourcing and stewardship of aluminium following an entire value chain approach. To this end, ASI launched its Certification program for the Performance Standard and Chain of Custody Standard in December 2017, and after a three-year revision process, published [new versions of the Standards](#) in May 2022.

ASI has identified [four priority sustainability issues](#) where we believe we can most contribute to driving change in the aluminium value chain to 2030: climate change, circularity, nature positive and human rights. These are high-level priority challenges for our global future, and it is essential to recognise the inter-connections between each. Ultimately, they must be tackled together to support effective and just transitions that minimise unintended consequences and maximise positive impact.

ASI's 250+ members include leading civil society organisations; companies with activities in bauxite mining, alumina refining, aluminium smelting, semi-fabrication, product and component manufacturing, as well as consumer and commercial goods, including the automotive, construction and packaging industries; industry associations and other supporters. Learn more about ASI's membership structure and [how to join](#).

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