

THE PRECIOUS METALS MARKET IS GETTING MORE REGULATED FOR THE BETTER OR WORSE?

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LONDON BULLION MARKET

Our mission is to ensure the highest levels of leadership, integrity and transparency for the global precious metals industry by setting standards and developing market services.



Benchmarks

Benchmarks LBMA & 3rd Party Administrators



Clearing System

Market Infrastructure provided by LBMA, LPMCL & Benchmark administrators



Metal Accounts

LPMCL Metal Accounts, Clearing System



Good Delivery

LBMA Good Delivery

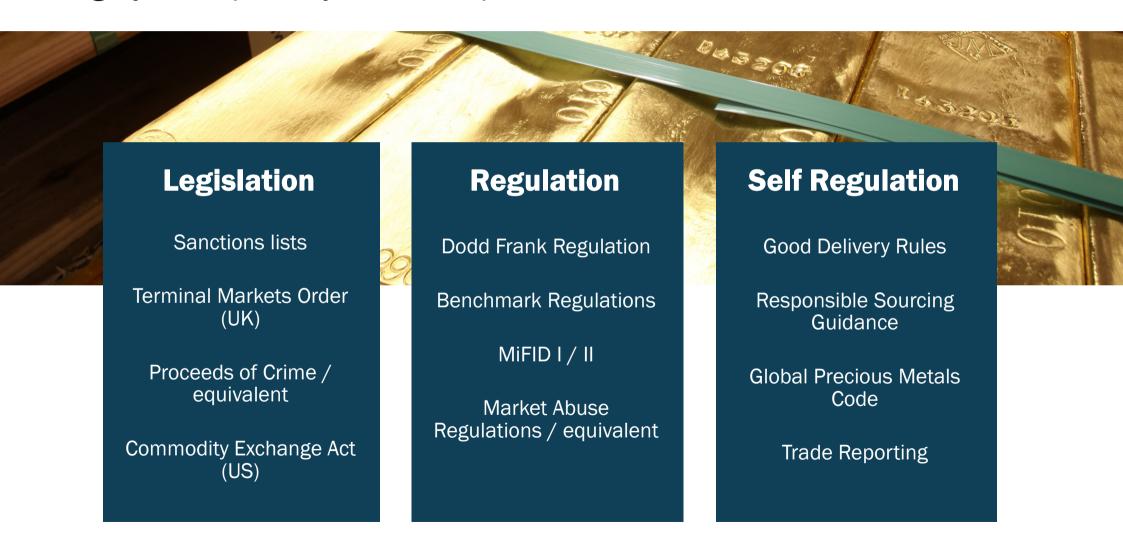


Vaulting Services

Vaulting LBMA & LPMCL

LEGISLATION – REGULATION – SELF-REGULATION

Integrity, Transparency, Leadership



GLOBAL PRECIOUS METALS CODE: INTEGRITY

Mandatory for LBMA Members



Public register on the LBMA Website



The Bank of England attested their adherence to the Code



Global application



Proportionality is key

	Chapter	Principles
1	Ethics	High ethical and professional standards; manage conflicts of interest
2	Governance, Compliance, Risk Management:	Appropriate oversight; compliance and risk management frameworks; escalation' independent reviews/assessments
3	Information sharing	Handling confidential information; provide for clear, accurate communication
4	Business conduct	Pre-trade and execution; due diligence; handling orders fairly; guidance on Mark-ups; benchmark auctions
5	Business conduct	Post-trade (confirmation process, netting, settlement, shipping)
	Annex	Illustrative examples: definitions, conventions

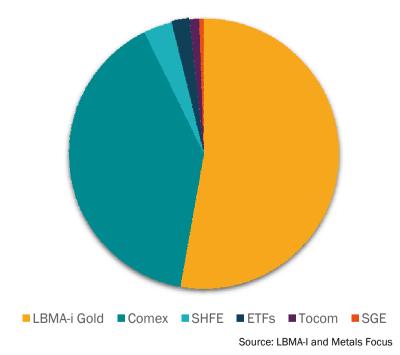
BENCHMARKS TODAY: TRANSPARENCY

LBMA Precious Metals Prices

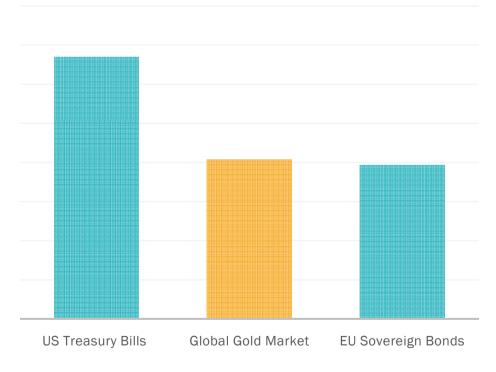


GLOBAL GOLD MARKET: TRANSPARENCY





Asset Comparison Average Daily Volume



Sources: SIFMA, LBMA, AFME

RESPONSIBLE SOURCING: LEADERSHIP

Implementing Legislative / Regulatory requirements, but also future proofing



LEGAL ISSUES

- Global Sanctions List
- Anti-Bribery and Corruption
 - Human Slavery Act





RESPONSIBLE SOURCING

- · Conflicts Minerals
- Anti-Money Laundering
 - Terrorist Financing
 - OECD Annex II risks



ALL COMPANIES SHOULD

- Have policies and procedures to address the risks
 - Monitoring and Surveillance to identify suspicions
 - Report on suspicions

EU CONFLICT MINERALS: LEADERSHIP

Enforced from 2021

LBMA's Responsible Sourcing Programme to apply for recognition

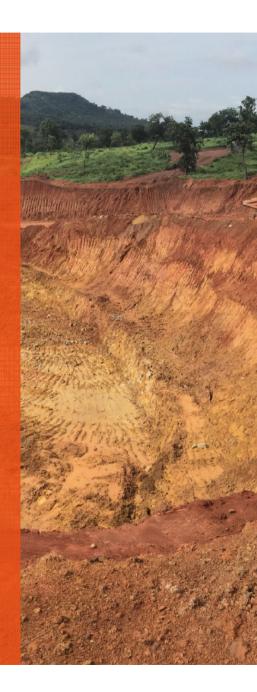
EC will produce a list of recognised refiners and assessing industry schemes

The Regulation introduces mandatory reporting for bullion banks

OECD Alignment
Assessment to
support the process
for recognition under
the Regulation

Alignment Assessment

- Closely follow the structure and content of the OECD Guidance.
- Responsibility and accountability clearly understood by **refiners**.
- Strong internal governance and structured management **processes**.



TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENTS: LEADERSHIP



This initiative builds on the LBMA's Responsible Sourcing Programme and focuses on how blockchain can ensure supply chain provenance.



In addition, it will also look at minimising the risks associated with fraud and breaches of security. Phase One will focus on kilobars & large bars.



Technology to help mitigate the risk faced throughout the life cycle of the bar, and help to securely record bar specific data (i.e. brand, origin, custody, location) on a trusted platform.

Technology to develop covert and overt security features to provide confidence in the bar being what it purports to be.



Gold Bar Integrity to further strengthen the gold supply chain



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