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ALLGEMEINE GOLD- UND SILBERSCHEIDEANSTALT AG

NEWLY-ACCREDITED MANUFACTURER OF LONDON GOOD DELIVERY 400 OZ GOLD BARS

The international headquarters and German gold refinery of **Allgemeine Gold- und Silberscheideanstalt AG** are located in Pforzheim, about 110 km south of Frankfurt.

Since April 2008, the company's new 400 oz gold bars, which bear the "Allgemeine" name and official stamp, have been accepted as London Good Delivery.

BACKGROUND

The company has specialized in the refining of precious metals and the manufacture of precious metal products since its establishment in Pforzheim, the centre of the jewellery and watchmaking industry in Germany, in 1891.

Although a private company, it has operated as part of the **Umicore Group** since 2003. Umicore SA (Belgium) owns 90.8% of its shares.

Allgemeine has four subsidiary companies, based in Germany, Austria, Netherlands and Thailand. They also focus on precious metals.

Three of the subsidiaries have gold refineries: Österreicherische Goldund Silberscheideanstalt Ges.m.b.H (ÖGUSSA) in Vienna; Schöne Edelmetaal BV, whose 400 oz bars have been accepted as London Good Delivery since at least 1934, in Amsterdam; and Umicore Precious Metals (Thailand) Ltd in Bangkok.

Apart from the manufacture of gold bars, Allgemeine also produces an extensive range of precious metal products for the jewellery, electronics and decorative industries.

The company records its annual gold refining capacity (Pforzheim refinery) at around 40 tonnes.

Number of employees: 350.

Accreditation

2008 London Bullion Market Association

Website: www.allgemeine-gold.de





Allgemeine was established at Pforzheim in Germany in 1891.



The company's modern refining and manufacturing plant in Pforzheim.



London Good Delivery 400 oz gold bars have been issued since 2008.

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

Weight	Туре	Fineness	Shape	Dimensions (mm)	First Issued
400 oz	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	220 x 78 x 50 189 x 53 (base)	2008

Source: Allgemeine Gold- und Silberscheideanstalt AG. The Pforzheim refinery manufactures 400 oz bars only.

Serial numbering system

The 400 oz bars, issued since 2008, record a year date plus 5 numbers. For example, "2008 00036."

Historical 400 oz bar

400 oz bars, with different dimensions, were previously manufactured until replaced by the new 400 oz bars in 2008.



The company has refined gold for more than a century.

LONDON GOOD DELIVERY 400 OZ BAR



Allgemeine Germany

The bar is dated "2007" as it was manufactured in 2007 as a sample bar.

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