

Podcast: Questions About Russia



RAPAPORT... After Russia invaded Ukraine, sentiment in the diamond industry very quickly shifted from confidence to uncertainty. In this episode of the Rapaport Diamond Podcast, Senior Analyst Avi Krawitz and News Editor Joshua Freedman outline the many questions that remain unanswered for the market and the challenges the crisis poses for the industry.

The two also discuss the recent industry events that took place in Dubai, including the ongoing debate over lab-grown and natural diamonds.

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Discussion points:

- 00:37 – Introduction
- 01:18 – Joshua reveals his idea of fun.
- 03:18 – The direct impact of the Russia crisis.
- 05:30 – How to pay Alrosa.
- 10:06 – How do US sanctions affect Alrosa's industry standing?
- 13:00 – Who might drive a boycott?
- 16:30 – Joshua reports on his trip to Dubai.

21:26 – The hot talking point from the Dubai Diamond Conference.

23:30 – How the lab-grown discussion has evolved.

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