

New national side of euro coins intended for circulation

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National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by the Republic of San Marino

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins ⁽¹⁾. In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 ⁽²⁾, the Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the Community providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national face features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

Issuing country: Republic of San Marino

Subject of commemoration: The 500th anniversary of the death of Sandro Botticelli

Description of the design:

The inner part of the coin depicts Pleasure, a detail of one of the three dancing Graces, freely inspired by the painting 'La Primavera' of Sandro Botticelli. On the top the year '2010'. On the left the name of the issuing country 'SAN MARINO' and the mint mark 'R' and on the right the initial 'm' of the author Roberto Mauri.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European flag.

Number of coins to be issued: 130 000

Date of issue: 7 September 2010

⁽¹⁾ See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national faces of all the coins issued in 2002.

⁽²⁾ See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).