

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 Andorra

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⁾, euro-area Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the European Union 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: Andorra

Subject of commemoration: Ski World Cup Finals 2019

Description of the design: The 2019 Ski World Cup Finals will be held in the Principality of Andorra from 11 to 17 March 2019. With this event, the Principality of Andorra will host one of the most important alpine skiing competition in the world.

For the Principality of Andorra, it will be the most prestigious winter sport event that has ever been held in the country, and will be a turning point in the country's trajectory as a sport destination.

The design of the coin shows in the foreground a skier sliding down a slope. In the background, four curved lines, from the official logo of these Ski World Cup Finals, represent the slopes where the competition will take place. Some snowflakes complete the design together with the inscription 'FINALS DE LA COPA DEL MÓN D'ESQUÍ ANDORRA 2019' (Andorra 2019 Ski World Cup Finals).

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

Estimated number of coins to be issued: 60 000

Date of issue: March 2019

⁽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).