

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 Slovakia

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: Slovakia

Subject of commemoration: The 10th anniversary of the accession of the Slovak Republic to the European Union

Description of the design:

At the centre of the national side are the stylised letters 'EÚ', as the abbreviation of the European Union, with the coat of arms of the Slovak Republic incorporated in the foreground. On the right-hand side of the inner part of the coin, in two lines, is the date of the Slovak Republic's accession to the European Union, '1.5.2004', and immediately below it the year '2014'. Inscribed along the bottom edge of the inner part is the name of the issuing country, 'SLOVENSKO', while in a semi-circle along the upper edge is the inscription '10. VÝROČIE VSTUPU DO EURÓPSKEJ ÚNIE'. To the lower left is the mint mark of Kremnica Mint (composed of the letters 'MK' between two dies), and to the lower right are the stylised letters 'MP', the initials of the designer, Mária Poldaufová.

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

Number of coins to be issued: 1 million

Date of issue: April 2014

⁽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).