New national side of euro coins intended for circulation

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National face of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by Germany

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 side features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

Issuing country: Germany

Subject of commemoration: Bremen

Description of the design:

The inner part of the coin features Bremen town hall, with the Bremen Roland statue in the foreground. The word 'BREMEN' is inscribed below the town hall on the right. The mint mark, represented by the letter A, D, F, G or J, appears at the top left. The initials of the artist, Bodo Broschat, are at the very bottom, just below the statue.

The name of the issuing country, 'D', and the year, '2010', are inserted at the top and bottom of the outer ring of the coin respectively, amid the twelve stars of the European flag.

Number of coins to be issued: 30 million

Date of issue: 29 January 2010

⁽¹⁾ See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1, for the national sides 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).