#### **GEIGER EDELMETALLE GMBH**





## The development of the investment coin market

# Experiences of a medium sized private German mint

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Libertad

Country: First issued: Quantity: Mexico 1982 ca. 1 mio pcs



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Panda

Country: First issued: Quantity: China 1983 limited to 8 mio pcs./year



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American Eagle (Silver Eagle)

USA

Country: First issued: Quantity:

1986 ca. 3-9 mio pcs. 10 mio pcs. (2008) 47 mio pcs. (2015)

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Maple Leaf

Country: First issued: Quantity: Canada 1988 30 mio pcs. (2015)

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Britannia

Country: First issued: Quantity: Great Britain 1997 500.000 pcs./year



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Lunar series

Country: First issued: Quantity: Australia 1999 63.644 (1999) 300.000 (since 2008) **GEIGER** E D E L M E T A L L E THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INVESTMENT COIN MARKET EXPERIENCES OF A MEDIUM SIZED PRIVATE GERMAN MINT

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Vienna Philharmonic

Country: First issued: Quantity:

2008 7.7 mio pcs. (2008) 17 mio pcs. (2011) 4.6 mio pcs. (2014)

Austria

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Kangaroo

Country: First issued: Quantity: Australia 2015 over 5 mio pcs.

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#### Conclusions

- The 1oz Silver bullion coins represent a unique success story
- There was a remarkable upswing after the turn of the Millennium. In 2016 ca. 100 million coins will be sold worldwide
- Newcomers like the Australian Kangaroo and the Armenian Noah's Ark have their chance as well
- The Noah's Ark currently covers 1 % of the world's production and shows a dynamic development 2011: 268.325 2015: 960.182



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- 2009 first discussion inside the Geiger Edelmetalle about a possible new investment silver coin
- Search for an understanding partner open for unconventional and innovative ideas
- The Central Bank of Armenia proved to be such a valuable and reliable partner
- 1 year of intensive negotiation lead to the first coins in June 2011





#### I. Introduction

#### Locations of Geiger Edelmetalle

Germany

Switzerland

USA



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FEINGOLD

250g

GEIGER Ebelmetalle

> FEINSILPER 900

> > 10000

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GEIGER

999,9 Feingold 100 g

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1 Union Robelliber 909

#### I. Introduction

Wide range of own products



1000 Jahre Leipzig



#### Introduction

#### State-of-the-art-Production



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Biggest silver coin in the world

diameter: 65 cm Weight: 1750 oz

Our smallest gold coin

diameter: 1,1 cm Weight: 0,5 g



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The Flagship – Noah's Ark silver bullion coin



#### Central Bank of Armenia



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First, a very close and trustful cooperation with the Central Bank of Armenia on all relevant fields:

- Intensive discussion about measures, weight and minting details
- An authentic and impressing design, rooted in the Armenian history and also appealing to a global audience
- Outstanding minting quality with a strict quality control
- An intensive coordination on technical specifications, packaging, marketing etc

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Second, we did not offer our customers a silver investment coin only, we presented "silver and more".



excellent minting quality

wide range of sizes (1/4 oz – 5 kg) attractive design I expressing a tec message to

HQCS technology to obtain quality sustainable packaging made of wood attractive gift sets with limited editions

II. How was it to establish as an unknown small private mint a completely new investment coin in the international markets?

Third, an intensive marketing and advertisement are extraordinary important to reach the customers and to become acquainted in the international markets

- Participation at national & international fairs and exhibitions
- Online marketing
- Mailing campaigns in Germany and abroad
- Leaflets and brochures, video sequences
- Supporting trading partners all over the world with their marketing
- Intensive personal contacts all over the world
- Inviting customers, trading partners and journalists in our
- production halls

## III. Short information on the sales development

#### Sales figures

- start in 2011 with 300.000 pieces
- best year until now: 2015 with 1.293.897 pieces
- some days ago we passed the 5-millionth-coin mark

#### Main markets

- Germany
- Europe
- United States
- Australia
- Canada

## IV. Conclusion

The decisive factors for the success:

- An excellent product more than sheer silver
- A solid production factory with modern machinery park
- A strong and fair partner (in this case the Central Bank of Armenia)
- The price
- Beeing small can be a benefit (small countries and small companies can be more flexible, faster with decisions & easier to communicate with)

## V. Future prospects

- 1. Continuing to produce and to distribute the Noah's Ark silver investment coin all over the world.
- 2. Developing new products of Noah's Ark with proof quality
- 3. A "Noah's Ark" coin made of a different precious metal

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