Press-release

**Moscow will become the coin capital of the world for two days**

**COINS International Conference and Exhibition – the only yearly forum for numismatists and professional participants of the coin market in Russia – will take place in Moscow on September 22-23, 2017.**

For the eighth time already the leading mints of the world will come to the Russian capital in order to demonstrate achievements of the modern minting – an art uniting the millennia-old traditions of coin production and breakthrough concepts of design and technology. There are national and commercial banks, auction houses, well-known Russian and foreign coin dealers among the traditional participants COINS.

The first day of COINS-2017 will see the ceremony of awarding the winners of The 11th International Commemorative Coin Competition “Coin Constellation-2017”. This year, over 40 participants from 27 countries submitted their coins to the competition unofficially called “Oscar” in the numismatic world”. It will be possible to see and buy many of the winning coins at the exhibition booths.

Guests of the exhibition and sales will appreciate antique and European medieval coins, coins of all the Russian Emperors, rare coins of the states of the East and the Latin America able to decorate private or museum collections. Connoisseurs of the modern minting will be offered commemorative and investment coins of precious and base metals, bimetal coins, numismatic sets, souvenir and gift coins. Special attention will be paid to coins decorated with precious stones, innovative coins with inserts of nano chips and nano crystals.

The products of the Moscow and Saint Petersburg Mints of Goznak – the Gold Sponsor of COINS-2017 – will be presented at the central booth of the exhibition.

Every year, COINS exhibition attracts thousands of starting collectors and professional numismatists, and many of them bring their families. This year, the visitors will be able to take part in the multiple award-winning quests and lotteries, competitions and guessing games, topical classes and master-classes, and a part of them will be for children. The winners will be awarded with coins of precious metals, sets of commemorative coins, albums for coins, valuable literature and accessories.

According to a good tradition laid a few years ago, COINS will provide any guest with an opportunity to feel a real coin minter. One can mint his own coin with the help of a historical press of Goznak.

Only at COINS-2017, one can ask questions to the designers and technologists of the mints personally and receive advice of specialists engaged in the coin expertise. It is possible to do so within the framework of the exhibition as well as at the open numismatic seminars. Well-known experts from Goznak, the State History Museum, the Moscow Kremlin Museums, and the International Numismatic Club will present their reports at the seminars.

Hundreds of delegates from the whole world will come to COINS-2017 Conference. On September 22, they will discuss the major trends of the coin market, the design and innovative technologies of coin production, the modern coin programs, they will present the latest developments related to successful promotion of coin-like products.

Yulia Pospelova, an economist of the Coin Production Organization Sector of the Commemorative Coin Division of the Cash Turnover Department of the Bank of Russia will describe the condition of the Russian market of commemorative and investment coins.

Andrey Brynza, a famous artist of the Design Center of the Coin and Order Production Supervision and Technology Division of Goznak, will touch upon the topic of laser technologies in forming the artistic image of commemorative coins and medals. Saulius Vaitiekunas, Director of the Lithuanian Mint, will explain the peculiarities of minting coins of unusual shapes. Oliver Jungherr, Owner of Numiscom GmbH & Co KG (Germany) will describe the new tendencies and technologies for commemorative coins.

Marat Ketler, an exclusive representative of Jarden Zinc Products LLC (USA) will present modern and economically feasible means of protecting exchange coins. Alexey Petrishin, a manager of developing dealers and clients of “ASK-RENTGEN” (Russia) will demonstrate how counterfeited coins and precious metal ingots can be detected with the help of measuring electrical conductivity.

**The address of COINS-2017:** Moscow, Europe Square 2 – Radisson Slavyanskaya Hotel (200 m from “Kievskaya” metro station).

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