On the obverse, all Polish coins feature:

- face value
- image of the Eagle established as the state emblem of the Republic of Poland
- inscription: Rzeczpospolita Polska
- year of issue



Issuing collector items is an occasion to commemorate important historic figures and anniversaries, as well as to develop the interest of the public in Polish culture, science and tradition.

Information on the issue schedule can be found at the www.nbp.pl/monety website.

Should you have any questions, please contact our consultants at the following phone numbers: +48 22 185 45 96 and +48 22 185 13 03.

Collector coins issued by NBP are sold in the NBP regional branches and at the internet shop.

On 21 April 2016 Narodowy Bank Polski will be putting into circulation collector coins "Wrocław – the European Capital of Culture", a gold coin with a face value of 100 zł and a silver coin with a face value of 10 zł.

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The coin *NBP Money Centre in memory of Sławomir S. Skrzypek* is dedicated to the unique educational and exhibition facility operating since 2016 at the NBP Head Office in Warsaw. The Centre has been named in memory of its originator, Sławomir S. Skrzypek, the NBP President who died tragically in the plane crash in Smoleńsk.

The Centre's permanent exhibition, covering an area of over 2,000 m2 and divided into 16 thematic modules, tells us the history of money, promotes economic knowledge, explains the role of central banks and the importance of economic processes and shows the principles of investing and depositing money. Set in intriguing scenography, the Centre houses a collection of several thousand unique exhibits and numismatic items and over 250 cutting-edge multimedia devices which form an interactive platform enabling visitors to take part in strategic economic games or watch thematic animations and videos. Visitors can also view one of the largest collections of Polish coins in the country, talk with a virtual banker, pick up a gold ingot in the vault and examine the authenticity of their own money in the laboratory.

It was the intention of the issuer that the coin should synthetically capture the idea behind the Centre, which can be defined as the interaction between the person and the exhibition, i.e. the world of money described through three basic categories: history, ethics and aesthetics (money as a work of art).

The main feature of the reverse is the "tree of knowledge" – one of the most characteristic





Face value 10 zł

Metal: Ag 925/1000 Finish: proof,

selective gilding

Diameter: 32.00 mm Weight: 14.14 g

Edge: plain

Mintage: up to 40,000 pcs

Designer: Dobrochna Surajewska

Issuer: NBP

The coins, commissioned by NBP, were struck

by Mennica Polska S.A.

points of the Centre's exhibition, both due to the attractiveness of its design, as well as the numerous layers of meaning. The remaining elements, such as the face of the clock of history encircling the tree, and the showcase strip placed in the background, are also a part of the design of the permanent exhibition, connected by the motif of the banknote guilloche visible in the subsequent modules.

While the reverse carries strictly symbolic contents, the obverse complements the narration by introducing the key concepts in the story about the world of money. The words placed on the coin – safety, future, stability, value, history, state, culture, knowledge, money, development, market and bank – are inscribed in circles concentrically extending from a centrally located emblem of the Eagle, which provides the graphical and symbolic axis of the composition. These

circles, reminiscent of the shape of a coin or the elements of a precise mechanism, are the graphical *leitmotif* of the Centre, present, among others, as the navigational icons in the multimedia applications.

Such an arrangement of meanings, combining the technical and humanistic aspect, simultaneously shows the manner in which these two areas will intertwine in the tour of the Centre, offering a compendium of knowledge about money.

Piotr C. Śliwowski

On 18 April 2016, Narodowy Bank Polski is putting into circulation a silver collector coin "NBP Money Centre in memory of Sławomir S. Skrzypek" with a face value of 10 zł.