



CENTRAL BANK OF CYPRUS

EUROSYSTEM

ANNOUNCEMENT

ISSUE OF COLLECTOR COIN **IN HONOUR OF GODDESS APHRODITE**

The Central Bank of Cyprus (CBC) announces the issue of a silver collector coin with a nominal value of €5 in proof condition and issue year 2015.

A. DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE

This coin is issued in honour of goddess Aphrodite of Cyprus. It depicts a marble statue of the goddess naked without hands up to the shoulders and without legs below the knees. The statue belongs to the Hellenistic period, 1st century B.C. and was found at Soloi. It can be visited at the Cyprus Museum in Nicosia and is considered as a point of reference for the cult of Aphrodite in Cyprus. The designer is Mr George Stamatopoulos and the coin was minted by the Greek Mint.



The issue is limited to 4.000 coins. The selling price of each coin, including VAT, has been set at €40.

B. FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE COIN

Design:

Obverse: The emblem of the Central Bank of Cyprus, the words «ΚΥΠΡΟΣ», «CYPRUS» and «KIBRIS», the year «2015» and circularly sea waves.

Reverse: A composition depicting the marble statue of goddess Aphrodite with the Cyprus map in the background and circularly sea waves. On the upper part from left to right semi circular inscription of the name of the goddess "ΑΦΡΟΔΙΤΗ - APHRODITE". The coin's nominal value of €5 is also depicted.

Shape: Round

Diameter: 38,61 millimeters

Weight: 28,28 grammes

Edge: Plain

Alloy: Silver (92,5%) and Copper (7,5%)

C. SALES

1. Professional coin dealers and the Cyprus Numismatic Society

The CBC will accept applications from professional coin dealers and the Cyprus Numismatic Society from **21 September until 2 October 2015**. The CBC reserves the right to respond within 15 working days from the date of submission of each application whether it will satisfy the application fully or in part or that it cannot satisfy it, on the basis of stock availability.

Applicants should complete and submit to the CBC the attached application form, which may be also found at CBC's website www.centralbank.gov.cy.

A discount of 10% will be offered on the total quantity purchased for quantities of at least 50 coins. The discount will be calculated on the selling price of the coins excluding VAT.

Applications may be sent:

- by post: Central Bank of Cyprus
P.O.Box 25529
CY-1395 Nicosia
Cyprus
or
- by fax: +357 22714930
or
- by e-mail: numismatic.orders@centralbank.gov.cy

2. Public and collectors of numismatic items

Sales to the public and collectors of numismatic items will be effected by the CBC over the counter in cash. A certain quantity of coins will also be available for sale through the CBC "e-shop".

i. **Sales over the counter**

Sales over the counter at the CBC will commence on **5 October 2015** and will be effected **only in cash**.

ii. **Sales through the e-shop**

Online sales through the CBC “e-shop” at <http://eshop.centralbank.gov.cy> will commence on **5 October 2015**. Payments may only be made by Visa or Mastercard.

D. FURTHER INFORMATION/CLARIFICATIONS

For further information and/or clarifications you may contact the CBC:

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