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National Bank of Moldova launches design competition for jubilee and commemorative coins, issuance of 2025 and 2026

National Bank of Moldova (NBM) launches design competition for jubilee and commemorative coins, issuance of 2025 and 2026 (according to the list below).

The competition is open to individuals who have reached the age of 18, as well as legal entities. There is no limit to the number of drafts that a participant may submit for a specific topic; however, each selected topic must be accompanied by at least two conceptually different drafts. Participants are required to comply with the legislation on copyright and related rights.

The main criteria for selecting the submitted designs refers to the originality, creativity, esthetics, and the coherence of design elements, ensuring their feasibility for minting on the surface of coins.

The requirements regarding coin design, evaluation and selection procedures, remuneration details, and other relevant information are outlined in the Procedure for the design competition for jubilee and commemorative coins, issuance of 2025 and 2026 [1] (enclosed below).

The remuneration for each winning design is MDL 15 000. The NBM also reserves the right to publicly announce the winner's name, on its official website and/or through press releases, and to include it in the certificates of authenticity that accompany the respective commemorative coin.

Detailed information on jubilee and commemorative coins issued so far by the National Bank of Moldova can be accessed using the link: https://www.bnm.md/en/content/commemorative-coins [2]

The deadline for submission of design proposals is **30 May 2025 at 2:00 PM**.

List of coin topics:

Issuance of 2025

- Queen Maria of Romania - 150 years since birth
- Petre Teodorovici - 75 years since birth
- 80 years since the establishment of the State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu" of the Republic of Moldova
- Moldova in the Single Euro Payments Area

Issuance of 2026

- Ion Pelivan - 150 years since birth
- Vasile Vasilache - 100 years since birth
- Constantin Brancusi - 150 years since birth
- 35 years since the Proclamation of Independence of the Republic of Moldova

- 100 years of Romanian higher education in Bessarabia
- In memoriam: The Famine in Bessarabia 1946-1947
- Sergiu Radautanu - 100 years since birth
- Eleonora Romanescu - 100 years since birth
- 80th anniversary of the State University of Moldova
- 35 years since the establishment of the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova
- Children's Day (color).

Procedure for the design competition for jubilee and commemorative coins, issuance of 2025 and 2026 [1]

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