


Design: Benjamin Löbbert

Benjamin Daniel Emil Löbbert, born in 1983, comes from Kempten in the Allgäu region of Bavaria. After training as a silversmith, he worked for a renowned Munich jeweller for the first few years of his career, until he decided to learn the profession of engraver in order to broaden and deepen his craftsmanship skills. He acquired these in 2012 in Neugablonz, and one year later he graduated from the school for master goldsmiths and silversmiths in Munich. Afterwards, Benjamin Löbbert worked as a freelance artist and took part in various private viewings and exhibitions with his paintings and sculptures. He came to Bern in 2017 and has been working as an engraver at Swissmint ever since. Benjamin Löbbert signs his works with his logo , a tradition from his silversmith days.



Characteristics

Effigy

Hydropower

Artist

Benjamin Löbbert, Bern

Technical data

Alloy: Silver 0,835

Weight: 20g

Diameter: 33mm

Legal face value

20 Swiss francs

Date of issue

9 September 2021

Selling period

Up to 8 September 2024

or while stocks last

Mintage

Proof coin in presentation case:

10,000 pieces

Official commemorative coin 2021

Hydropower Energy of the future



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Official commemorative coins

Each year, the Federal Mint Swissmint issues a small number of commemorative coins featuring carefully selected subjects. The coins in bimetals, silver and gold bear an official nominal value and are available in various minting qualities – as collectors' pieces in their own right or as an exquisite gift.

Hydropower

Energy is a precious commodity and an indispensable part of our everyday lives. A sustainable energy supply plays an important role in this. The basis for these alternative forms of energy is provided by natural resources, such as water, wind and sun.

Hydropower is one of the oldest energy sources in the world and was already used more than 5,000 years ago. It offers an efficient, climate- and environmentally-friendly form of generating electricity. In Switzerland, the hydropower plant network consists of run-of-river power plants (usually consisting of a barrage formed of a weir in a flowing body of water, e.g. river power plants), storage power plants (hydropower plants with natural or artificial water storage reservoirs) and pumped storage power plants (consisting of two water basins located at different heights, e.g. Grimsel). A total of 677 plants are in operation throughout the country, producing an average of around 36,741 gigawatt hours of electricity per year and thereby supplying 56% of Switzerland's energy needs. Around 11% of Switzerland's hydropower generation comes from centralised international hydropower plants on border waters.

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