

Pressemitteilung

400th auction of the Künker auction house as part of the World Money Fair Berlin

Historic coins and medals of superlatives under the hammer

Berlin, January 8, 2024 - Osnabrück-based auction house Künker will be **putting historical coins and medals with an estimated value of more than seven million euros under the hammer in Berlin on February 1, 2024. The catalog of the 400th auction, which is an integral part of the world's largest coin fair "World Money Fair" at the Estrel Congress Center every year, includes 770 lots.**

One day before the official opening of the most important leading event in the international coin industry, the internationally active auction house Künker will be auctioning off exceptional coins and medals. "The auction includes a large number of top-class gold and silver coins, including selected solvers of the Guelph dukes from the collection of the well-known coin collector Friedrich Popken," reports Ulrich Künker, Managing Partner. "We also focus on special coins from old Germany and the Habsburg hereditary lands, British great gold as well as rarities from Italy, Poland, Russia and overseas. We are also offering several coins from the special collection area of multiple portraits from a Westphalian private collection. We look forward to welcoming visitors from all over the world, who make up the flair of our auctions!"

The three most expensive coins in the auction were estimated by the numismatic experts at Künker at 150,000 euros each and come from the Roman-German Empire (10 ducats from 1765, minted under Maria Theresa, **lot number 378**), from Great Britain (specimen of 5 pounds from 1820, minted under George III in London, **lot number 497**) and from the Russian Empire (37 ½ roubles from 1902, minted under Tsar Nicholas II in St. Petersburg, **lot number 642**).

World Money Fair

"The fact that the Künker auction house is organizing one of its annual live auctions in close proximity to the World Money Fair, both in terms of location and content, underscores our character as the world's leading trade fair," says Goetz-Ulf Jungmichel, Managing Director of the World Money Fair Berlin GmbH. "A cooperation that can only benefit both sides."

About the World Money Fair:

The World Money Fair is the world's largest coin fair, which takes place annually at the end of January/beginning of February in Berlin. It is the most important leading event in the international coin industry. Dealers, suppliers of accessories and auction houses from all over the world present their numismatic range to collectors, while state mints and private mints showcase their new products. A wide variety of machine manufacturers and suppliers to the coin industry will meet in the technology area and showcase the complete production process for coins and medals, from blank production and minting to packaging and the corresponding tool technology. The World Money Fair has continued to develop since January 1972, when it was first held in Switzerland as the "International Coin Fair". Today, more than 300 exhibitors, including mints and national banks from around 50 nations, present themselves during the three-day fair, which has been held in Berlin since 2006, on an area of 9,000 square meters in the Estrel Congress Center. The World Money Fair is also an excellent opportunity for investors to find out about physical precious metals and their importance as an investment. The exhibition includes coins from numerous countries, special mints and top-class special coins, as well as special fair editions and various commemorative coins.

www.worldmoneyfair.de

About Fritz Rudolf Künker GmbH & Co. KG:

Fritz Rudolf Künker GmbH & Co. KG is one of the leading international auctioneers and dealers in numismatics. With locations in Osnabrück, Hamburg, Constance, Munich, Strasbourg, Vienna, Brno, Paris and Zurich, the company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide. As a member of the Association of German Coin Dealers (VDDM) and the International Association of Professional Numismatists (IAPN), Auktionshaus Künker is one of the world's leading coin dealers and has excellent business connections and a first-class range of products. Since its foundation in 1971 by Fritz Rudolf Künker, the family business has stood for sound expertise, reliability and individual customer service.

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Lot number 378:



Roman-German Empire, Maria Theresa, 1740-1780, 10 ducats without year. (1765), unsigned, probably by C. Vinazer.

Of utmost rarity. The only example on the market.

Fine gold patina, tiny edge defect. Very nice-excellent.

Estimate: 150.000 Euro

Lot number 497:



Great Britain. George III, 1760-1820. Pattern 5 Pounds 1820 (1821/1822), London.

Pattern with plain edge.

Of utmost rarity. Only 2 specimens known. Cabinet piece. Polished plate.

Estimate: 150.000 Euro

Lot number 642:



Russian Empire. Nicholas II 1894-1917. 37 1/2 roubles (100 francs) 1902, St. Petersburg.

Of great rarity. Only 225 copies minted. First strike, almost brilliant Uncirculated.

Estimate: 150.000 Euro