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HSBC NEW SERIES HK\$1000 BANKNOTES AVAILABLE

HSBC announced today that the HSBC new series HK\$1000 banknotes would be available for exchange at all of the Bank's branches across Hong Kong from tomorrow, 12 December 2018.

Peter Wong, Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, said, "We are proud to share the first of our bold series of new banknotes with the people of Hong Kong. The HK\$1000 note features a stunning panoramic image of Central, reflecting the vibrancy of Hong Kong as an international financial centre.

"This note also has a powerful new representation of 'Stitt', one of the lions that has guarded our headquarters building since 1935, becoming a symbol of trust and prosperity," added Mr. Wong. "We feel very privileged to be part of people's daily lives through our banknotes, which express our deep sense of connection with the Hong Kong community, our shared heritage and our common future."

To mark the start of the circulation of the 2018 series of banknotes, HSBC is launching a quiz on its Facebook page today. Winners will be invited to a special exhibition at the HSBC Archives to explore Hong Kong's history as told through HSBC's historical and current banknotes. For details, please refer to the HSBC Hong Kong official page www.facebook.com/hsbchk.

To find out more about the 2018 series of banknotes, please visit:
<https://www.hsbc.com.hk/banknotes-2018/>

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Photo 1



Peter Wong, Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, shows HSBC's new \$1000 banknote.

Photo 2



HSBC's new series \$1000 banknotes will be available from 12 December 2018 at all of HSBC's branches across Hong Kong.

Notes to editors:

- In HSBC's 2018 new series of banknotes, the iconic HSBC lion is painted in watercolour. To bring an extra sense of uniqueness and authenticity to this series of HSBC banknotes, an iridescent pattern is added onto the mane of the lion, which shimmers when the banknote is tilted under bright light.

- The vertical side of the HSBC \$1000 notes shows Hong Kong as a Financial Metropolis as seen through a special panoramic fisheye lens, creating a stunning image composed of the prosperous Central business district, the vibrant harbour and the towering Lion Rock.

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