

Russia Unveils QR-Coded 200, 2,000 Ruble Bills

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Russia's Central Bank and the National Mint Goznak unveiled new 200- and 2,000-ruble bills on Thursday.

The front side of the new banknotes are fitted with a QR code which links to the bank's [website](#) where there is detailed information on their artistic design and security features.

Speaking at a Moscow-Vladivostok-Sevastopol teleconference from the state-run TASS news agency's office, Central Bank chairwoman Elvira Nabiullina [said](#) the bills will begin circulating in December.

"First in October, the new banknotes will be received in the regions that are depicted on them: the Far East, Crimea, as well as Moscow," Nabiullina said.

The 200- and 2,000-ruble bills will enter into circulation in stages after banks and businesses upgrade their technology to accommodate them, she said.

Following a public vote, the Chersonesus museum-reserve in the annexed Crimean peninsula and Sevastopol's Monument to the Scuttled Ships were [chosen](#) to be featured on the 200-ruble bill. Vostochny Cosmodrome and a cable-stayed bridge connecting mainland Russia's Vladivostok with Russky Island are featured on the 2,000-ruble bill.

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