

# THE MAKING OF THE €URO

## EXHIBITION

The National Bank of Slovakia in cooperation with the European Central Bank opened an exhibition of photographs – The Making of the €uro – on 14th September 2004.

The exhibition installed on large panels in the headquarters of the NBS on Imrich Karvaš



street in Bratislava presents pictures by the notable German photographer Claudio Hills, who captured the process of preparing the banknotes and coins of the common European currency in the years 2001 – 2002.

The photographs show the printing of banknotes, striking of coins, their processing and distribution to the



◀ *Antti Heinonen, Director of the Directorate Banknotes of the ECB opened the exhibition in the name of the European Central Bank.*

◀ *The photographer of the Mosaic of History Claudio Hills.*



individual states of the Eurozone, the devaluation of the individual national currencies and the extraordinary security measures accompanying this extensive action.

The collection of photos also emphasizes the human factor in the whole process. It is a tribute to all, who contributed to the problem free introduction of the new currency.

The exhibition Making of the €uro is part of the information activities of the NBS, aimed at better acquainting the Slovak public with the common European currency, which should also replace the Slovak crown in 2009.

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