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## **1000-franc note enters circulation today**

### **Updated SNB banknote app available**

Issuance of the new 1000-franc note presented a week ago begins today, 13 March. The Swiss National Bank's 'Swiss Banknotes' app has now been updated to include the new note.

The app, which has been downloaded some 110,000 times, can be obtained free of charge from the Apple ([itunes.apple.com](https://itunes.apple.com)) and Google Play ([play.google.com](https://play.google.com)) app stores. Anyone who has already downloaded the software can update it via the relevant app store. The app explains in an engaging way key information on the security features and interesting details about the design.

The augmented reality app operates with the camera of a smartphone or tablet. When the device's camera is positioned over a new 10, 20, 50, 200 or 1000-franc note, the app displays the note's various security features and design elements. It is also possible to enlarge the individual features or watch a short video clip. The app works in conjunction with printed or electronic banknote images as well. Although the app helps users to explore the new banknotes, it cannot be used to test if a note is genuine.

The app can be run on either the iOS (Apple) or Android (Google) operating system and is available in both smartphone and tablet versions (Apple: iPhone 4S or newer and for iPad; Google: for high-performance devices running Android 4.1 or later). It is available in English, French, German and Italian.

The SNB began launching its ninth banknote series on 6 April 2016. The 1000-franc note entering circulation today is the fifth denomination in the new series. The 100-franc note, which will be presented on 3 September 2019 and enters circulation on 12 September 2019, will be the last denomination to be released. All notes from the eighth banknote series remain legal tender until further notice.



**Press release**

Further information on Swiss banknotes can be found on the SNB's website, under *Banknotes and coins* ([www.snb.ch](http://www.snb.ch)). A short video introduces the app and its features ([www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)).