



DeLaRue

CURRENCY

Your journey towards
integrated design



Introduction

The design of a new series of banknotes is one of the most challenging and complex projects that any central bank or state printer can undertake. De La Rue stands out in this space, expertly navigating every aspect of banknote planning, design, and creation. As a one-stop shop for planning, innovation, design, and manufacturing, we offer unparalleled expertise throughout the design process.

Banknotes encapsulate a nation's values and identity. This makes it crucial to partner with a supplier that can deliver exceptional designs effectively. De La Rue excels at realising the unique visions of its clients, offering custom-tailored services and an engaging design experience. Our history of award-winning designs demonstrates our commitment to both aesthetic and technical excellence.

With a track record spanning over 160 years, De La Rue has earned the trust of governments and central banks worldwide.

Expertise

De La Rue understands better than most what is involved in bringing a new banknote to life.

As a manufacturer, inventor, designer, and printer of banknotes, security features, and polymer substrate, we are unique. No other supplier is as deeply and effectively integrated into the banknote design process as De La Rue.

Working collaboratively, our design teams combine their respective disciplines and decades of experience and creativity to deliver exceptional banknote designs.

For over 160 years, governments and central banks have placed their trust in De La Rue to design and manufacture their currency. Since 2020, we have designed over half of all newly issued banknotes.

Trust

De La Rue's purpose is to secure trust between people, businesses and governments.

We provide highly secure solutions that underpin the integrity of economies and trade in 140 countries.

We are the trusted partner of choice for issuing authorities seeking to secure their cash cycles and the leading designer of new banknotes.

We are inclusive and embrace differences, working together to deliver the right results through our collective knowledge.

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Understanding

Introducing a new banknote or series design is a prestigious, momentous event in the career of a central banker or state printer.

The motivations for commissioning a new design may vary. Perhaps there is a need for a more durable and cost-effective banknote to enter circulation. The current notes or series might require a security update, or a new denomination may be needed to align with inflationary pressures. Alternatively, it could be the ideal time to issue a commemorative banknote.

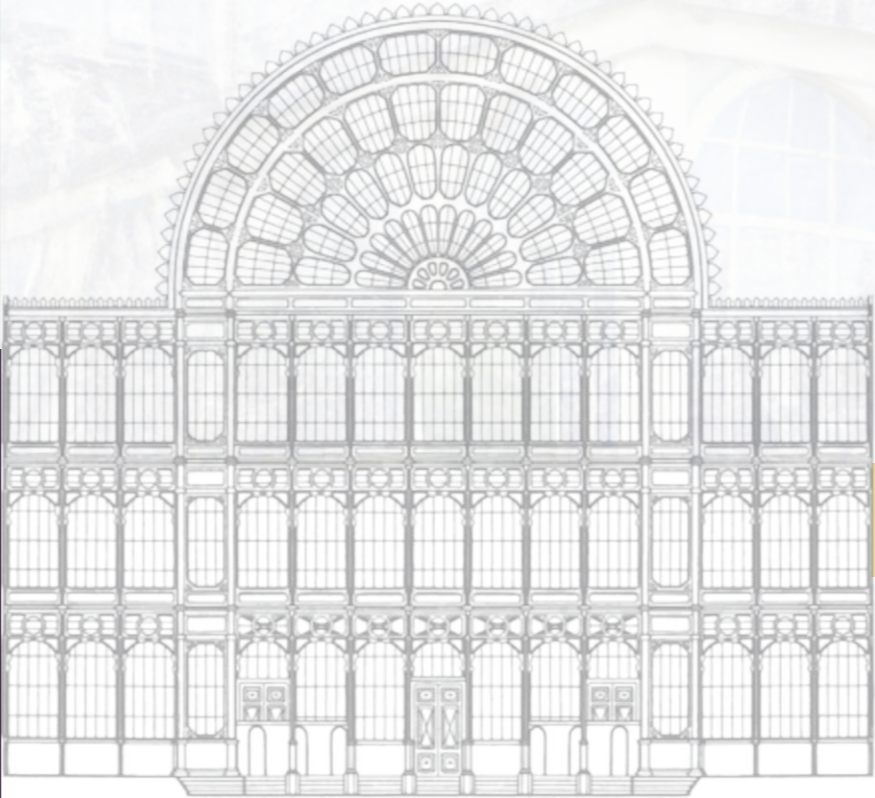
As esteemed manufacturers and printers of banknotes, our reputation in the industry is resolute and positive. By selecting De La Rue, our customers benefit from the trust and reliability associated with our renowned brand, ensuring a positive experience and successful outcomes for all involved.

Guidance

De La Rue is proud to provide detailed, accurate data and insights to support our customers, helping them understand considerations and potential outcomes when selecting a new series of banknotes.

We assist in defining the functional requirements of new banknote designs or series, ensuring that they meet the specific needs and requirements for the customer’s currency system once they are in circulation.

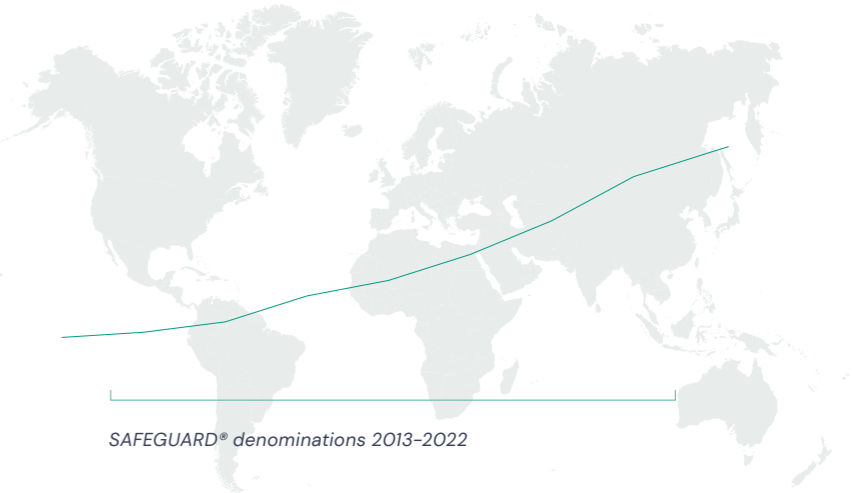
We support the customer throughout the creation process and long after their banknotes have entered circulation, offering both analytical and practical support.



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“The ECCB introduced polymer in 2019. We have had a really, really good experience with polymer. We promised that it would be safer, cleaner, that it would be more secure and we have delivered that for the people of the currency union.”

Governor Timothy Antoine, ECCB, April 2023



Maldives series



Integration

Superior design integration goes beyond simply making cost-effective features fit aesthetically on the banknote.

Our comprehensive understanding of how to integrate security features into the visual design ensures that the banknotes we create are both highly secure and exceptionally functional.

Security features continually evolve, becoming more specialised and complex. We lead the way in seamlessly integrating these new features into both the design and production of banknotes.

By harnessing our expertise, customers can confidently rely on robust security measures designed into their banknotes, protecting them against counterfeiting and fraud.

“The Maldives Monetary Authority tasked De La Rue with incorporating watercolours by a Maldivian artist into the design of their 2016 series.

We invited the artist to visit us and we worked together to realise the bank’s vision.”



Design

Our collaborative approach with customers ensures the development of banknotes that capture their vision perfectly while creating something truly inspirational.

By considering factors such as cultural elements, historical references, and national symbols, we create personal and unique banknotes that resonate with the country's identity and instill a sense of pride among its citizens.

Great banknote design captures a nation's identity at a specific point in time and makes the bearer proud to carry their currency. It is an undertaking that De La Renta approaches with care, respect, and competence.

Our designs bring creativity and innovation, continuing to push the boundaries of what is possible when creating world-leading banknotes.

Design



Concept

In this phase of the design journey, we work with you directly every step of the way, forming a close partnership. Utilising best-practice design methods, tools, references, and evidence, we are able to realise inspirational design ideas.

Development

Building on insights and references, we start to construct a functional layout while also generating ideas for themes and styles. As part of this process, we bring the details to life and refine the agreed upon designs.

Creative approval

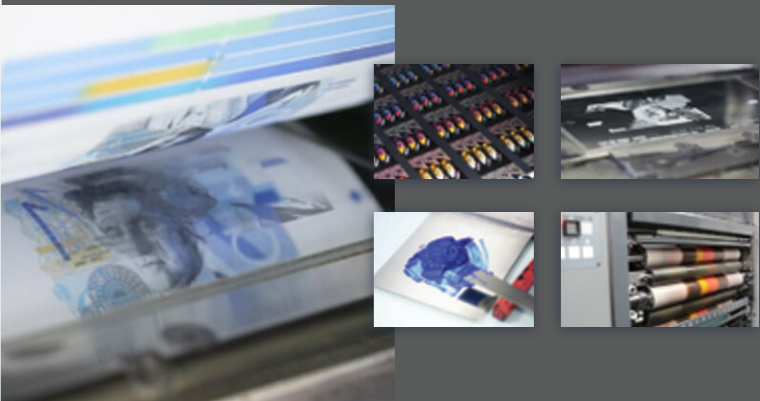
The final stage involves securing approval for the designs before moving on to origination, proofing, and production. During this phase, the designs are presented for acceptance and approval. Once approved, the designs will be transitioned into the technical design phase.

Technical design



We provide a full translation of the conceptual design into high-resolution, production-ready materials. Our team of technical experts optimises the design to be cost-effective and ready for manufacture. We supply a fully finished origination pack tailored to your requirements. Additionally, our services include further security elements such as DR Marking and anti-scan features, all of which are fully verified for functionality.

Proofing



This is the first time you will see the finished banknote proof, marking a very exciting moment before scale manufacturing begins. Utilising materials and equipment that are aligned with the complete end-to-end manufacturing process, our proofing and prototyping department provides a functional representation of the final banknote. The banknote proof is submitted for your final and absolute agreement before proceeding to full production. There will be no surprises, ensuring that you feel secure every step of the way.

Engraving



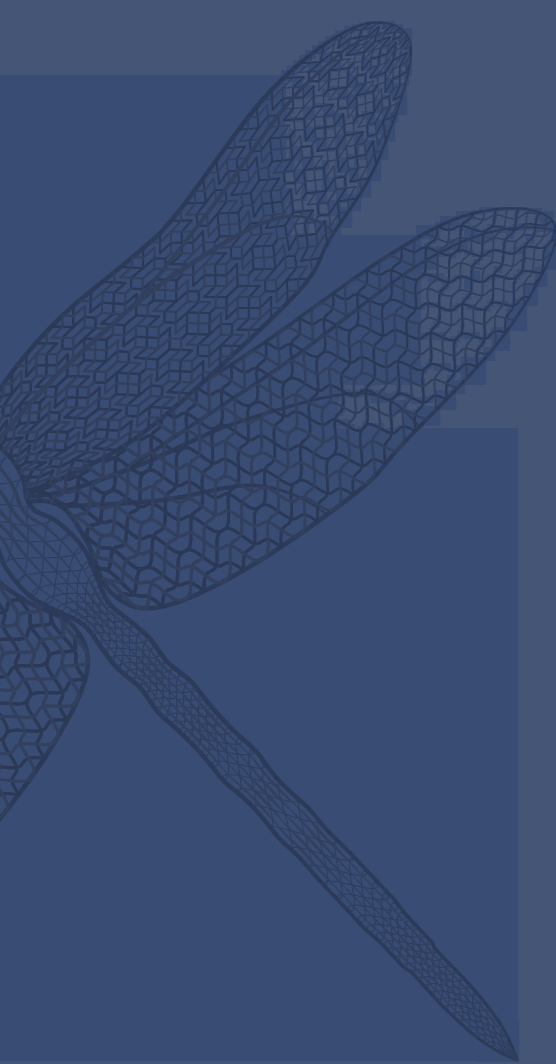
Our world-class team works closely with you to translate your selected reference materials into high-quality engravings, delivering artistic excellence. We offer a modular, end-to-end engraving service that provides engravings optimised for your chosen substrate and origination method. All of these are meticulously crafted to meet your requirements.

Quality



Quality is paramount. Through automated design analysis at the micron level, we ensure that the artistic content is translated with utmost accuracy for printing. Concurrently, we conduct comprehensive machine readability analyses and ongoing risk assessments to prepare the design for full-scale manufacturing.

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Design awards

IBNS Awards

International Banknote Society

2007	Bank of England £50	2012	Kazakhstan 5000 Tenge
2008	Samoa 20 Tala	2013	Kazakhstan 1000 Tenge
2009	Bermuda \$2	2014	Trinidad and Tobago \$50
2010	Uganda 50000 Shilling	2023	Eastern Caribbean Central Bank \$2
2011	Kazakhstan 10000 Tenge		

IACA Awards

International Association of Currency Affairs

2007	Kazakhstan 10000 Tenge	2011	Uganda Banknote Series
2008	Venezuela Bolivar Series	2014	Kuwait Banknote Series
2010	Clydesdale Bank of Scotland Series	2023	Eastern Caribbean Central Bank \$2

HSP Awards

High Security Printing

2020	Bank of England £20 Best New Banknote (EMEA region)	2023	2022 World Cup Qatar Central Bank Best New Commemorative Banknote (EMEA region)
2021	Bank of England £50 Best New Banknote (EMEA region)		Central Bank of United Arab Emirates 1000 AED Best New Banknote (EMEA region)
	Qatar Central Bank Best New Banknote Series (EMEA region)		Central Bank of Barbados Best New Series (LatAm region)
	Reserve Bank of Fiji \$50 Best New Commemorative Banknote (Asia region)		Samoa 60 Tala Best Commemorative Banknote of the Year (Asia region)
2022	Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Regional Banknote of the Year	2024	Eastern Caribbean Central Bank \$2 Best New Commemorative Banknote (LatAm region)
			Banco Central de Reserva del Perú Best New Series (LatAm region)

Summary

Our banknote design team sets the industry gold standard in creativity with expertise. With an unparalleled track record of over 160 years, we are the preferred partner for governments and central banks worldwide.

We provide both end-to-end and modular services, covering design and manufacturing, ensuring quality and efficiency at every step. We expertly guide our customers through complex projects, guaranteeing optimal outcomes for their currency.

Collaborating closely with our customers, we create designs that not only encapsulate a nation's identity but also inspire national pride. Our commitment to 'design for manufacture' ensures effectiveness without compromising on security or cost.

Choose De La Rue for exceptional results in your next banknote project.



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