

Nomos AG Announces Appointment of Dr. Alan S. Walker as Director

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It is with pleasure that Nomos AG of Zürich, Switzerland announces the appointment of Dr. Alan S. Walker as Director. Dr. Walker, who has an undergraduate degree in Classics from Johns Hopkins University and a Doctorate in Classical Archaeology from the University of Pennsylvania, joins Nomos AG after 28 years with the numismatic department of Bank Leu and its successors. He received his archaeological field training in England and later in Athens at the Agora Excavations under the auspices of the American School of Classical Studies. He started with coins as a collector, then became an archaeological numismatist, followed by his professional numismatic training at Leu under the late Leo Mildenberg and Silvia Hurter, two of the most important professional numismatists of the past 50 years, both of who were formative in developing his professional expertise.

Dr. Walker has been responsible for researching and writing some of the world's foremost numismatic auction catalogues. His first major catalogue was Leu 31 (1982), the auction of the von Aulock Library. Then he catalogued part of Garrett II (1984), including the Dark Age coins and all the non-German medieval and modern issues. From that time he collaborated with Mrs. Hurter on the research for all of Leu's ancient catalogues; he has written all of the Roman sections since 1997 and the entire catalogues since 2000. He has also authored non-ancient catalogues including the following of particular note: Leu 51 (1990), The Bostonian Collection, containing coins of all the major European colonies and the independent states that followed; Leu 55 (1992), one of the finest collections of Portuguese gold coins ever formed; Leu 68 (1996), a major collection of Italian coins; and LHS 99 (2006), a comprehensive collection of the coins of St. John on Rhodes and Malta. Major ancient collections included the fabulous Greek coins that appeared in Leu 81 (2001); the Perfectionist Collection of Roman gold coins in Leu 87 (2003) and Leu 93 (2005), the Roman gold coins of a Deceased European Scholar in LHS 97 (2006); and the amazing collection of Palaeologan issues that was also included in the same catalogue. Quoting Dr. Walker. "I am, however, most proud of my two BCD catalogues, Leu 90 (2003), containing the coins of Olympia, and

LHS 96 (2006), devoted to the coins of the Peloponnesos.”

The original Nomos AG was founded by Dr. Roland Maly in 1972 and operated out of his offices near Luzern, Switzerland until his death in 2005. In 2006, Dr. A. Peter Weiss, a longtime collector of ancient coins, approached the family and started the process of acquiring the firm name. The transaction was completed late in 2007 and Nomos AG was recreated.

The new firm's first publication was the Nomos AG Winter-Spring 2008 fixed price list of 100 distinctive coins presented at the 2008 New York International Numismatic Convention. That list was produced in association with Classical Numismatic Group, Inc.

Nomos AG has a current stock of important ancient and early European coins, some of which will be presented by Drs. Walker and Weiss at the American Numismatic Association summer 2008 convention, to be held July 30-August 3 in Baltimore. Dr. Walker will also be attending most major international auctions and is available to provide expertise and representation for interested collectors.

The new Nomos AG office in central Zurich is currently being renovated and will open in late 2008. An inaugural auction is planned for the spring of 2009.

Additional information about Nomos Auction 1, for which consignments are being accepted, will be available on the firm's website (www.nomosag.com) or can be obtained directly from:

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