

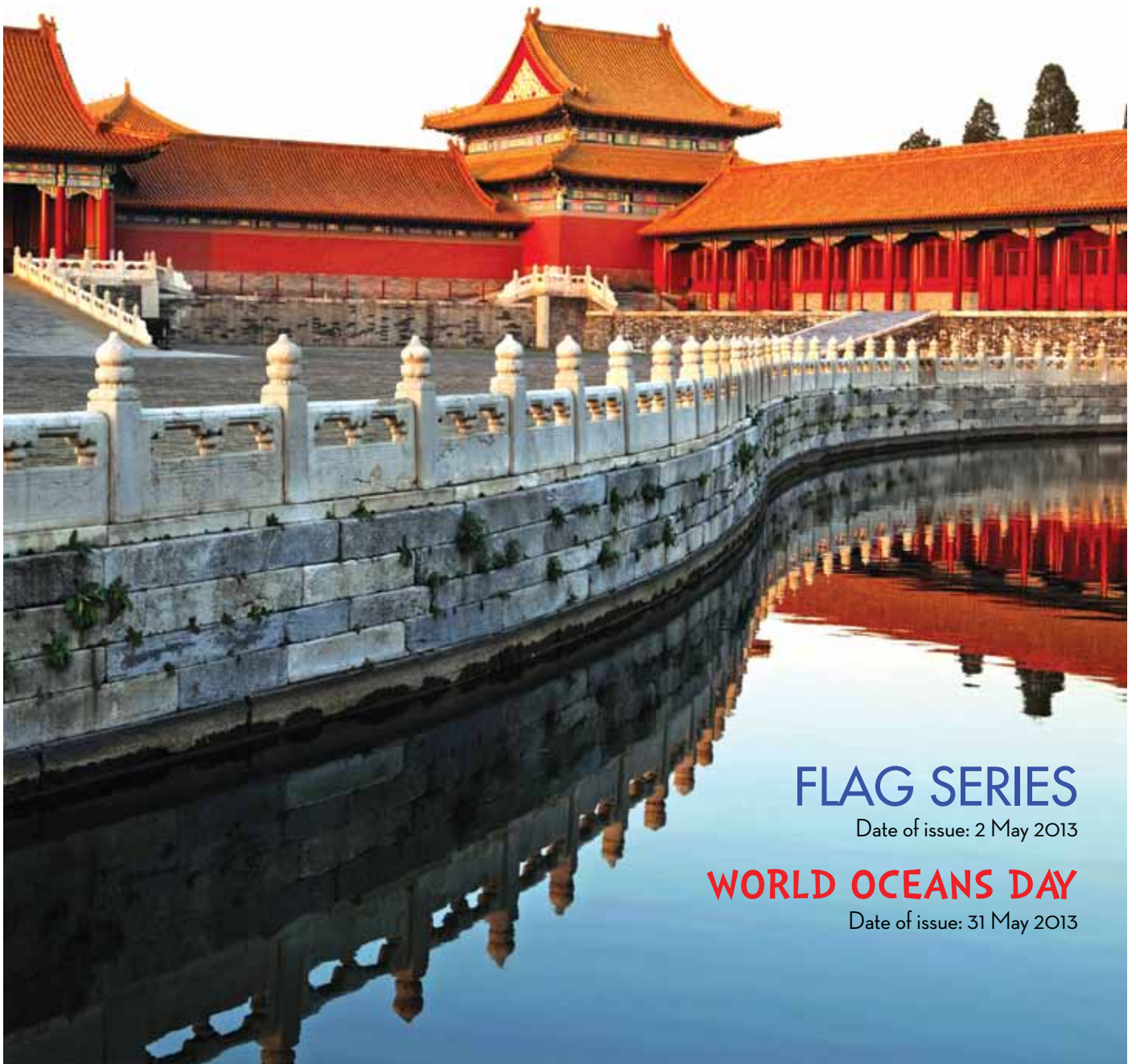
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World Heritage CHINA

Date of issue: 11 April 2013



FLAG SERIES

Date of issue: 2 May 2013

WORLD OCEANS DAY

Date of issue: 31 May 2013

Dear Collector,

This edition of *Fascination* offers a unique collection of tried and true elements infused with something new and different.

First up is the reintroduction of the popular United Nations Flag Series, which began in 1980 and was last updated in 2007. In this edition we highlight the flag of our newest Member State, South Sudan. We also include flags for the Russian Federation, a new design for Cape Verde, and a new design and name change for Myanmar. Welcome back flag fans!

Due to requests from many of our loyal UNPA collectors, this year's World Heritage series will include a new prestige booklet. Although the dimensions of the booklet have changed slightly, it will continue to feature wonderful imagery and text. We hope you enjoy learning more about the six enchanting World Heritage sites from China.

Finally, the protection and health of our planet's oceans is an important matter that deserves the attention of people around the world. With help from the Dr. Seuss Foundation, we introduce an eye-catching set of stamps that will quickly draw attention to the celebration of World Oceans Day. The images may be whimsical and fun, but they carry an important and powerful message. We hope you enjoy them.

I want to personally thank everyone who took the time to fill out our recent survey asking for thoughts and comments about the programme. The information is of great value to us as we move forward with our stamp selection. All of the surveys received through 1 January 2013 were eligible for the drawing for a complete set "20 years of Endangered Species" stamps. The winners are listed on the next page.

Thanks for reading this edition of *Fascination*. Thanks as always for your loyalty to our programme.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Failor', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David E. Failor
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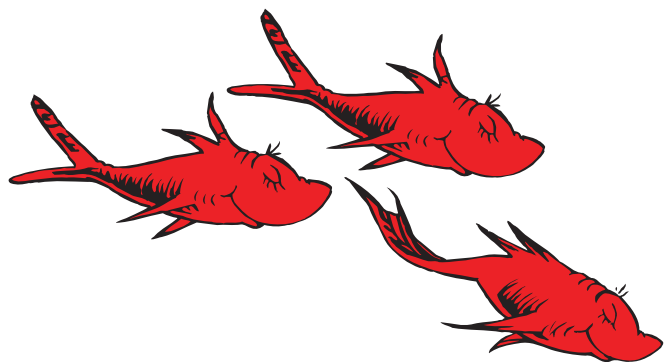
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Closing Days:
29 March, 1 April, 9 and 20 May (official holidays)
26 April, 29 May, 26 June, 29 July (inventory)

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THE STAMP SET WILL BE SENT TO YOU IN DUE COURSE.

28 JANUARY

CHINESE LUNAR CALENDAR - YEAR OF THE SNAKE

NY Personalized Stamp Sheet of 10 stamps

GREETINGS FROM NEW YORK

NY Personalized Stamp Sheet of 10 stamps

13 FEBRUARY

UN RADIO - WORLD RADIO DAY

6 designs—sheets of 20 stamps

5 MARCH

DEFINITIVES

6 designs—sheets of 20 stamps

NEW YORK POSTAL STATIONERY

pre-stamped envelope, standard and large,
air letter

11 APRIL

WORLD HERITAGE - CHINA

6 designs—sheets of 20 stamps

PRESTIGE BOOKLETS

2 MAY

FLAG SERIES

South Sudan, Russian Federation,
Myanmar, Cape Verde
1 sheet of 16 stamps

FLAG FOLDER

31 MAY

WORLD OCEANS DAY

3 mini-sheets of 12 stamps

9 AUGUST

SPACE

3 mini-sheets of 8 stamps—2 designs per sheet
SOUVENIR SHEET

19 AUGUST

WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY

NY Personalized Stamp Sheet of 10 stamps

10 OCTOBER

ENDANGERED SPECIES (40TH ANNIVERSARY OF CITES)

12 designs—sheets of 16 stamps

3 MAXIMUM CARDS

2013 ENDANGERED SPECIES COLLECTION FOLDER

LIMITED EDITION SILK COVER

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOLDERS 2013

OCTOBER

VIENNA

Personalized Stamp Sheet

NOVEMBER

COIN AND FLAG SERIES

3 mini-sheets of 8 stamps

COLLECTION FOLDER "COIN AND FLAG"

Heritage is our legacy from the past, what we live with today, and what we pass on to future generations. Cultural heritage and natural heritage are both irreplaceable sources of life and inspiration. What makes the concept of World Heritage exceptional is its universal application. World Heritage sites belong to all the peoples of the world, irrespective of the territory on which they are located. For this year's World Heritage stamp series, UNPA has chosen six sites in China.

DATE OF ISSUE: 11 April 2013
DESIGNER: Sergio Baradat (United Nations)
PHOTO CREDIT: Age Fotostock, Getty Images, Masterfile, Eric Phan-Kim
STAMP SIZE: 50 mm x 36 mm
STAMPS PER SHEET: 20
PRINTER: Joh. Enschedé Security Printers (Netherlands)
PROCESS: Offset lithography
PERFORATION: 14 x 13 3/4
DENOMINATIONS AND QUANTITIES OF STAMPS:

US\$ 0.46	150,000 stamps (7,500 sheets)
US\$ 1.10	150,000 stamps (7,500 sheets)
CHF 1.40	128,600 stamps (6,430 sheets)
CHF 1.90	128,600 stamps (6,430 sheets)
€ 0.70	150,000 stamps (7,500 sheets)
€ 1.70	150,000 stamps (7,500 sheets)

DENOMINATIONS AND QUANTITIES OF PRESTIGE BOOKLETS:

New York: 18,000 booklets
 (with stamps of US\$ 0.33 and US\$ 0.46)
 Geneva: 20,000 booklets
 (with stamps of CHF 0.30 and CHF 0.50)
 Vienna: 27,000 booklets
 (with stamps of € 0.30 and € 0.40)

PRESTIGE BOOKLETS



Code: 331.3948



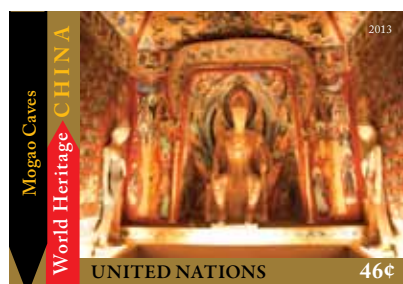
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STAMP DESIGNS

US\$ 0.46 - MOGAO CAVES



Code: 301.3942

US\$ 1.10 - IMPERIAL PALACE - BEIJING



Code: 301.3943

Carved into the cliffs above the Dachuan River, the Mogao Caves in Gansu Province comprise the largest, most richly endowed and longest used treasure house of Buddhist art in the world. It was first constructed in 366 A.D. and represents the great achievement of art from the fourth to the fourteenth century. There are 492 caves presently preserved, housing about 45,000 square metres of murals and more than 2,000 painted sculptures. The Mogao Caves were inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1987.

The Imperial Palaces of Beijing and Shenyang constitute a priceless historical testimony to Chinese civilization during the Ming and Qing dynasties. They were inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1987 and 2004, respectively.

CHF 1.40 - HISTORIC ENSEMBLE OF THE POTALA PALACE, LHASA



Code: 501.3944

The Potala Palace is built on the Red Mountain in the centre of the Lhasa Valley, at an altitude of 3,700 metres. The complex comprises the White Palace and the Red Palace, with their ancillary buildings. The beauty and originality of its architecture, its rich ornamentation and harmonious integration in a striking landscape contribute to its outstanding universal value. It was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1994.

CHF 1.90 - MOUNT HUANGSHAN



Code: 501.3945

Huangshan, known as “the loveliest mountain of China”, has been acclaimed through art and literature throughout Chinese history. Today it holds the same fascination for visitors, poets, painters and photographers who come on pilgrimage to the site, which is renowned for its magnificent scenery made up of many granite peaks and rocks emerging out of a sea of clouds. It features numerous imposing peaks, whose formation dates back some 100 million years to the Mesozoic era, when the ancient Yangtse Sea disappeared as a result of the Earth’s movements. Mount Huangshan was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1990.

€ 0.70 - THE GREAT WALL



Code: 701.3946

Known to the Chinese as the “Long Wall of Ten Thousand Li”, the Great Wall or the Wall of China, was continuously built from the third century B.C. to the seventeenth century A.D. on the northern border of China as a formidable defensive structure to ward off invasions. With a total length of more than 20,000 kilometres, the Great Wall is an outstanding example of the superb military architecture, technology and art of ancient China. It was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1987.

€ 1.70 - MAUSOLEUM OF THE FIRST QIN EMPEROR



Code: 701.3947

The first Emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang (221-210 B.C.), is buried, surrounded by the famous terracotta warriors, at the centre of a complex designed to mirror the urban plan of the capital, Xi’an. The life-sized figures are all different; with their horses, chariots and weapons. The Mausoleum of the First Qin Emperor and its terracotta warriors are masterpieces of realism which portray exceptional technical and artistic qualities, and are also of great historical interest. The site was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1987.

FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS

On 11 April 2013, first day cancellations for the “World Heritage - China” stamps will be available at United Nations Headquarters in New York, the Palais des Nations, Geneva, and the Vienna International Centre as follows:



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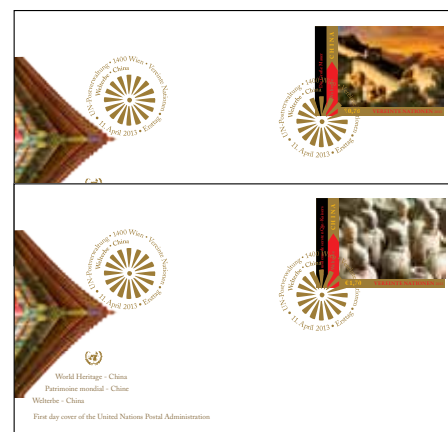
six envelopes, each with one of the values issued



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Code: 613.3944



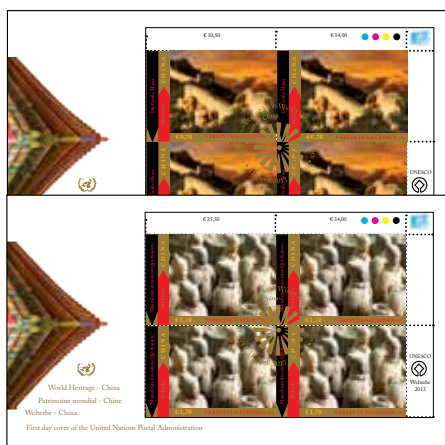
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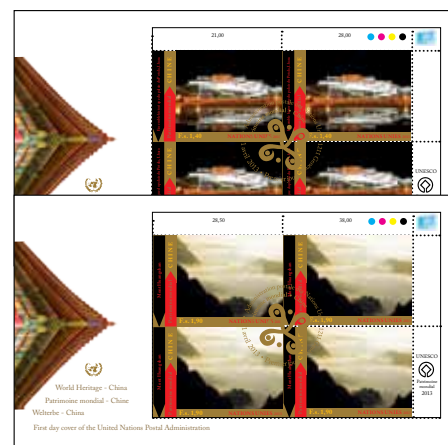
six envelopes, each with a block of four with marginal inscription of each of the values issued



Code: 414.3942



Code: 614.3944



Code: 814.3946

COMBO

three envelopes, each with the two stamps of each denomination



Code: 412.3942



Code: 612.3944



Code: 812.3946

TRIPLE

one jumbo size cover with all six stamps issued



Code: 817.3946

ATTENTION!

The **delivery** for all orders and subscriptions concerning the stamp issue **"World Heritage - China"** on 11 April will be executed **in April 2013**.

All orders and subscriptions for the stamp issues **"Flag Series"** on 2 May and **"World Oceans Day"** on 31 May will be **jointly delivered early in June 2013**.

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DEFINITIVE SERIES											
VALUES IN EURO											
Date of issue	Art	Code	Price €	Quantity		Date of issue	Art	Code	Price €	Quantity	
				* 7	⦿ 8					* 7	⦿ 8
(7.8.2003)		7035	0.04			(1.3.2002)		7030	0.73		
(15.4.2010)		7043	0.05			(4.2.2005)		7038	0.75		
(1.3.2002)		7027	0.07			(1.3.2002)		7031	0.87		
(28.1.2008)		7039	0.10			(28.3.2003)		7034	1.00		
(28.1.2008)		7040	0.15			(4.2.2011)		7045	1.25		
(15.4.2010)		7044	0.20			(28.1.2008)		7042	1.40		
(28.3.2003)		7033	0.25			(1.3.2002)		7032	2.03		
(1.3.2002)		7028 **	0.51			(24.10.2003)		7036	2.10		
(29.1.2004)		7037	0.55			(5.3.2013)		7048	2.20		
(1.3.2002)		7029	0.58			(4.2.2011)		7046	2.85		
(5.3.2013)		7047	0.62			Complete series	30	3003	18.95		
(28.1.2008)		7041	0.65			** First reprint of 7 August 2003					

DEFINITIVE SERIES											
VALUES IN US\$						VALUES IN CHF					
Date of issue	Art	Code	Price US\$	Quantity		Date of issue	Art	Code	Price CHF	Quantity	
				* 3	⦿ 4					* 5	⦿ 6
(6.2.2009)		5068	0.01			(14.3.1986)		6020	0.05		
(13.2.1998)		5053	0.02			(4.2.2011)		6044	0.10		
(4.6.2010)		5072	0.03			(10.5.1985)		6018	0.20		
(4.6.2010)		5073	0.04			(22.1.1982)		6016	0.30		
(7.5.1993)		5043	0.05			(27.1.1978)		6004	0.35		
(25.5.2001)		5057	0.07			(2.2.1996)		6031	0.40		
(12.2.1997)		5050	0.08			(4.2.2011)		6045	0.50		
(6.2.2009)		5069	0.09			(1.9.1994)		6028	0.60		
(6.2.2009)		5070	0.10			(2.2.1996)		6032	0.70		
(4.2.2011)		5076	0.11			(4.10.1969)		6009	0.75		
(18.10.2010)		5074	0.15			(1.9.1994)		6029	0.80		
(5.9.1995)		5047	0.20			(24.10.2003)		6040	0.85		
(13.2.1998)		5054	0.21			(20.2.2003)		6039	0.90		
(28.3.2003)		5060	0.23			(5.3.2013)		6046	1.00		
(3.2.2006)		5066	0.25			(12.2.1997)		6034	1.10		
(11.9.1991)		5037	0.30			(10.5.1985)		6019	1.20		
(5.2.1999)		5055	0.33			(3.2.2006)		6041	1.30		
(25.5.2001)		5058	0.34			(5.3.2013)		6047	1.40		
(15.10.2004)		5065	0.37			(10.5.1991)		6026	1.50		
(2.10.1992)		5042	0.40			(15.04.2010)		6042	1.60		
(11.9.1991)		5038	0.50			(5.2.1999)		6036	1.70		
(12.2.1997)		5051	0.55			(1.9.1994)		6030	1.80		
(24.10.2003)		5064	0.60			(15.04.2010)		6043	1.90		
(28.3.2003)		5062	0.70			(13.2.1998)		6035	2.00		
(1.3.2002)		5059	0.80			(24.10.2002)		6038	3.00		
(9.8.2007)		5067	0.90			(2.2.1990)		6024	5.00		
(2.10.2009)		5071	1.00			(17.4.1970)		6015	10.00		
(5.3.2013)		5078	1.10			Complete series	30	2523	41.00		
(18.10.2010)		5075	1.50								
(10.5.1991)		5039	2.00								
(5.3.2013)		5079	3.00								
(4.2.2011)		5077	5.00								
Complete series	30	2530	21.03								

AIRMAIL SERIES	Values in US\$			Quantity	
	Art	Code	Price	* 3	⦿ 4
Stamp tête-bêche “Centenary of First Flight” (28.3.2003) - 23 ¢ + 70 ¢		5063	0.93		

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COMMEMORATIVE ISSUES 12 months on sale Prestige Booklets and Endangered Species 24 months on sale	Art	Values in €				Values in US\$				Values in CHF			
		Code	Price €	Quantity		Code	Price US\$	Quantity		Code	Price CHF	Quantity	
				* 7	Ⓞ 8			* 3	Ⓞ 4			* 5	Ⓞ 6
Endangered Species (7.9.2011) Block of 4 stamps Miniature sheet *(6.9.2013)	50	3795	2.80			3793	1.76			3794	4.00		
	51	3795	11.20			3793	7.04			3794	16.00		
Autism Awareness (2.4.2012) *(2.4.2013)		3843	1.40			3841	2.10			3842	2.80		
Endangered Species (19.4.2012) Block of 4 stamps Miniature sheet *(18.4.2014)	50	3848	2.80			3846	1.80			3847	4.00		
	51	3848	11.20			3846	7.20			3847	16.00		
RIO+20 (1.6.2012) *(31.5.2013)		3872	0.70			3870	1.05			3871	1.40		
Sport for Peace – Paralympic Games 2012 (17.8.2012) Miniature sheet Souvenir sheet *(16.8.2013)	09	3881	0.62			3877	0.45			3879	1.00		
		3882	0.70			3878	1.05			3880	1.40		
	10	3881	5.58			3877	4.05			3879	9.00		
		3882	6.30			3878	9.45			3880	12.60		
	11	3885	0.70			3883	1.05			3884	1.40		
World Heritage – Africa (5.9.2012) *(5.9.2013)		3905	0.62			3901	0.45			3903	0.85		
		3906	0.70			3902	1.05			3904	1.00		
Indigenous People (11.10.2012) Miniature sheet *(11.10.2013)	10	3910	4.20			3908	2.70			3909	5.10		
UN Radio (13.2.2013) *(13.2.2014)		3932	0.70			3928	0.46			3930	1.40		
		3933	1.70			3929	1.10			3931	1.90		




*Last day of sale




COLLECTION FOLDERS	Art	Values in €				Values in US\$				Values in CHF			
		Code	Price €	Quantity		Code	Price US\$	Quantity		Code	Price CHF	Quantity	
				* 7	Ⓞ 8			* 3	Ⓞ 4			* 5	Ⓞ 6
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (5.10.2006)	77	3261	14.38										
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (3.5.2007)	77	3316	14.38										
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (8.5.2008)	77	3426	15.31										
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (5.2.2010)	77	3593	15.49										
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (3.3.2011)	77	3739	15.49										
Folder “Coin & Flag Series” (3.2.2012)	77	3836	15.95										
Folder “Endangered Species” (15.4.2010)	23	3615	9.60										
Folder “Endangered Species” (7.9.2011)	23	3811	9.80										
Folder “Endangered Species” (19.4.2012)	23	3864	9.83										
2011 Annual Collection Folder (13.10.2011)	22	3820	19.97			3818	22.59		Ⓞ	3819	24.83		
2012 Annual Collection Folder (11.10.2012)	22	3913	11.95			3911	12.90		Ⓞ	3912	17.73		

MISCELLANEOUS	Art	Code	Price €	Quantity
UN stamp album for children, small	727	2006	1.95	
UN stamp album for children, large	727	2007	3.95	
Folder “Living Earth” Volume II	324	2718	7.12	
Folder “Living Earth” Volume III	324	2961	7.66	
Folder “Our World” Volume 1 1989	322	1219	5.35	
Folder “Our World” Volume 2 1990	322	1251	10.01	
Folder “Our World” Volume 3 1991	322	1269	9.24	
Silk first day cover CITES “Endangered Species” 2011	424	3812	3.04	
Silk first day cover CITES “Endangered Species” 2012	424	3865	3.04	
Stamp Sheet Law of the Sea 2012 (mint)	324	3888	11.51	
Stamp Sheet Law of the Sea 2012 (cancelled)	424	3888	11.51	
Stamp Sheet Manila Declaration 2012 (mint)	324	3939	11.51	
Stamp Sheet Manila Declaration 2012 (cancelled)	424	3939	11.51	
UV-Lamp (L80)	724	5052	9.90	

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* mint  cancelled

POSTAL STATIONERY		Art	Values in €				Values in US\$				Values in CHF			
			Code	Price €	Quantity		Code	Price US\$	Quantity		Code	Price CHF	Quantity	
					* 7	 8			* 3	 4			* 5	 6
Postcard (5.5.2011)	€ 0.62	21	3772	1.10										
Postcard (5.5.2011)	€ 0.70	21	3773	1.20										
Postcard (5.5.2011)	€ 1.70	21	3774	2.20										
Pre-stamped envelope, revalued (5.5.2011)	€ 0.70	21	3775	1.10										
Pre-stamped envelope, revalued (5.5.2011)	€ 1.70	21	3776	2.10										
Postcard (1.3.2002)	CHF 1.30	21									2781	2.05		
Postcard (7.5.2009)	CHF 0.85	21									3559	1.60		
Postcard (7.5.2009)	CHF 1.00	21									3560	1.75		
Postcard revalued (15.4.2010)	CHF 1.90	21									3636	2.65		
Pre-stamped envelope, standard (5.3.2013)	US\$ 0.46	21					3936	0.46						
Pre-stamped envelope, large (5.3.2013)	US\$ 0.46	21					3937	0.46						
Air letter (5.3.2013)	US\$ 1.10	21					3938	1.10						
Official blank cachets	Vienna	28					2779	0.30						
	New York (1995)	28					3584	0.25						
	Geneva	26					3239	0.25						

PERSONALIZED STAMP SHEETS		Art	Values in €				Values in US\$				Values in CHF			
			Code	Price €	Quantity		Code	Price US\$	Quantity		Code	Price CHF	Quantity	
					* 7	 8			* 3	 4			* 5	 6
Domestic (5.5.2011)	€ 0.62	93	3770	14.90										
International (5.5.2011)	€ 0.70	93	3771	9.90										
Essen (12.4.2012)	€ 0.70	94	3866	9.90										
Child Labour (2.9.2010)	CHF 1.90	94									3714	14.41		
Shanghai Lunar Calendar (1.5.2010)	US\$ 0.44	94					3634	9.95						
EXPO Shanghai (4.6.2010)	US\$ 0.98	94					3685	14.95						
Year of the Tiger (28.6.2010)	US\$ 0.44	94					3721	9.95						
Year of the Rabbit (4.2.2011)	US\$ 0.44	94					3740	9.95						
United Nations Working Dogs (7.4.2011)	US\$ 0.98	94					3749	14.95						
Year of the Dragon (23.1.2012)	US\$ 1.05	94					3827	14.95						
United Nations Guided Tours (23.1.2012)	US\$ 1.05	93					3828	14.95						
Tinker Bell (1.6.2012)	US\$ 1.05	94					3874	14.95						
Year of the Snake (28.1.2013)	US\$ 1.10	94					3924	14.95						
Greetings from New York (28.1.2013)	US\$ 1.10	93					3925	14.95						

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UNPA-EUROPE BANK & POSTAL CHECKING ACCOUNTS

Dear customers,

In order to streamline UNPA Europe's operations and to lower cost, we will be closing some bank accounts in the near future.

Please note that EU cross-border payments allow you to make euro transfers within EU¹ and EEA² states **at the same price as domestic transfers**. You just need to indicate the appropriate IBAN and BIC codes.

For Euro (EUR) transfers from **all European countries** including Belgium, Finland, France, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Switzerland, please use the following bank account:

COUNTRY	TOWN	CURRENCY	ACCOUNT DETAILS			ADDRESS
Austria	Vienna	Euro	Bank Austria	Account No.	690003603	Wagramerstrasse 5
			UniCredit Group	IBAN	AT57 1200000690003603	1400 Vienna
				BIC	BKAUATWW	Austria

For Swiss Franc (CHF) transfers, please use one of the two following bank accounts:

Austria	Vienna	CHF	Bank Austria	Account No.	570431387	Wagramerstrasse 5
			UniCredit Group	IBAN	AT53 1200000570431387	1400 Vienna
				BIC	BKAUATWW	Austria
Switzerland	Geneva	CHF	La Poste	Account No.	12-999-1	Operations Center
				IBAN	CH76 09000000120009991	1631 Bulle
				BIC	POFICHBEXX	Switzerland

For US dollar (USD) transfers, please use the following bank account:

Austria	Vienna	USD	Bank Austria	Account No.	570341875	Wagramerstrasse 5
			UniCredit Group	IBAN	AT25 1200000570341875	1400 Vienna
				BIC	BKAUATWW	Austria

In addition to the above bank accounts the following accounts will stay valid:

COUNTRY	TOWN	CURRENCY	ACCOUNT DETAILS			ADDRESS
Austria	Vienna	Euro	P.S.K.	Account No.	1-107-500	Seitzergasse 2-4
				IBAN	AT81 6000000001107500	1010 Vienna
				BIC	OPSKATWW	Austria
Denmark	Copenhagen	Crown	Danske Bank	Account No.	3 00 49 45	Postgirokontoret
				IBAN	DK65 30000003004945	1459 Kopenhagen K
				BIC	DABADKKK	Denmark
Germany	Frankfurt/Main	Euro	Postbank	Account No.	706609	Postbank
				IBAN	DE39 500100600000706609	60290 Frankfurt/Main
				BIC	PBNKDEFF	Germany
Italy	Rome	Euro	BancoPosta	Account No.	36 232 007	Viale Europa 175
				IBAN	IT43 R0760103200000036232007	00144 Roma
				BIC	BPPIITRRXX	Italy
Norway	Oslo	Crown	DnB NOR	Account No.	78740702857	Postbanken
				IBAN	N087 78740702857	0021 Oslo
				BIC	DNBANOKKXX	Norway
Sweden	Stockholm	Crown	NORDEA	Account No.	7 42 33-8	Svarspost
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				BIC	NDEASESS	Sweden

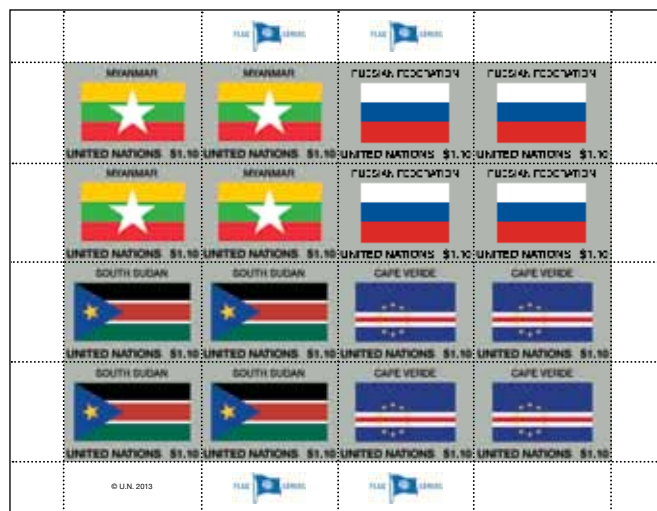
Thank you for your understanding.

¹ Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Sweden, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, United Kingdom.

² Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein.

Originally launched on 26 September 1980, the Flag Series was created to honour the Member States of the United Nations. The four stamps being issued on 2 May feature a new Member State, South Sudan, a new design for the Russian Federation, a new design for Cape Verde and a new design and name change for Myanmar.

DATE OF ISSUE: 2 May 2013
DESIGNER: Rorie Katz (United Nations)
DENOMINATION: US\$ 1.10
STAMP SIZE: 40 mm x 29 mm
STAMPS PER SHEET: 16
PRINTER: Lowe Martin Group (Canada)
PROCESS: Offset lithography
PERFORATION: 13.3
QUANTITY: 576,000 stamps (36,000 sheets)
FLAGS: Cape Verde, Myanmar, Russian Federation, South Sudan,



Code: 360.4051

2013 FLAG SERIES COLLECTION FOLDER

The collection folder contains one single of each of the 2013 Flag Series stamps. The Flag Series stamps are not contained in the 2013 annual collection folders. Customers with standing order requirements for Souvenir folders "Flag Series" (Art. 40) will automatically receive this item through their accounts.

FIRST DAY CANCELLATION

On 2 May 2013, the below illustrated first day cancellation for the "Flag Series 2013" stamps will be available at United Nations Headquarters in New York:

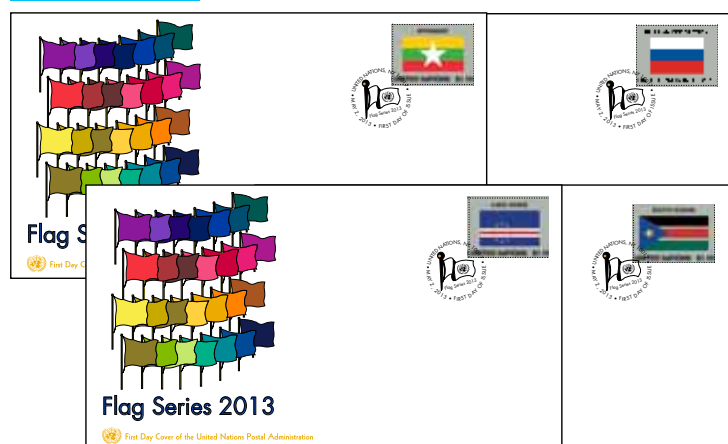


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FIRST DAY COVERS

SINGLE

four envelopes, each with one of the stamps issued



Code: 462.4051

COMBO

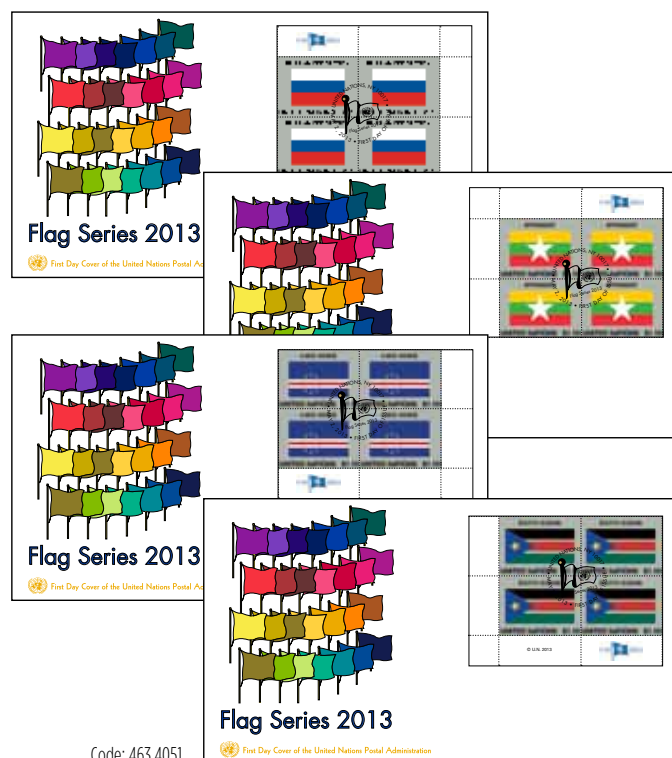
one envelope with all four different stamps issued



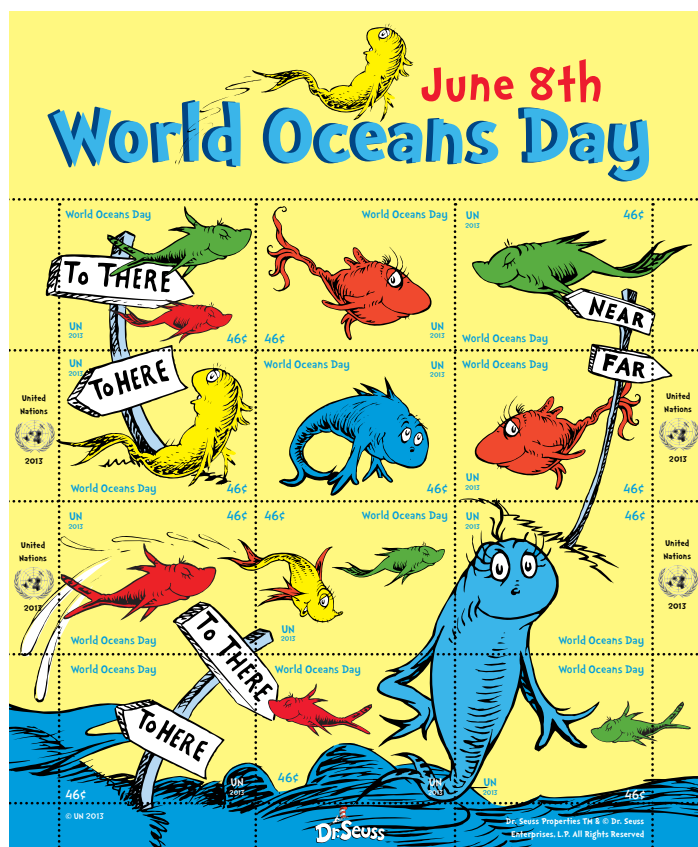
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M.I. BLOCK OF 4

four envelopes, each with a block of four with marginal inscription of each of the stamps issued



Code: 463.4051

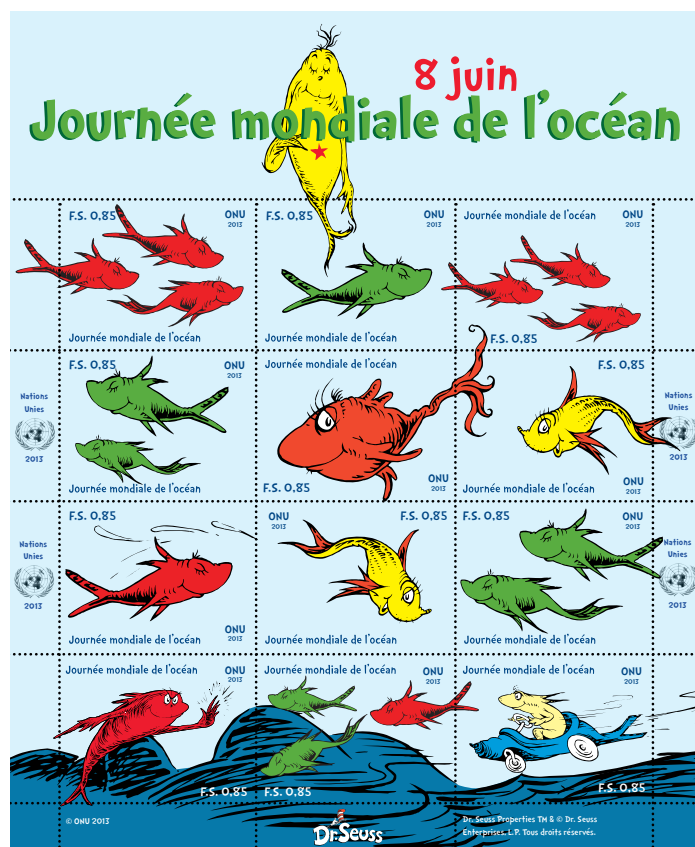


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Code: 710.3957

World Oceans Day was officially recognized by the United Nations in 2008 and is now celebrated on 8 June each year. This special day is an opportunity to celebrate our world's shared ocean and our personal connection to the sea, as well as to raise awareness about the crucial role the ocean plays in our lives and the important ways in which people can help protect it.



Code: 510.3956

The theme for World Oceans Day 2013-2014 is "Together we have the power to protect the ocean!", which focuses on getting involved with ocean conservation in our personal lives, within our communities and globally.

To commemorate World Oceans Day 2013, UNPA has partnered with Dr. Seuss and the classic book *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* which inspired the creation of the stamp designs. The three stamp sheets incorporate the timeless Dr. Seuss characters within a marine life background.

ABOUT DR. SEUSS

Theodor "Seuss" Geisel is one of the most beloved American children's book authors of all time. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize in 1984, an Academy Award, three Emmy Awards, three Grammy Awards, and three Caldecott Honors, Geisel wrote and illustrated 44 books for children. In his lifetime, Dr. Seuss was an early advocate for conservation. While Theodor Geisel died on 24 September 1991, Dr. Seuss lives on, inspiring generations of children of all ages to explore the joys of reading. For more information about Dr. Seuss and his works, visit Seussville.com.

DATE OF ISSUE:	31 May 2013
FEATURED ARTIST:	Dr. Seuss
STAMP DESIGNER:	Rorie Katz (United Nations)
STAMP SIZE:	40 mm by 30.5 mm
SHEET SIZE:	140 mm by 170 mm
STAMPS PER SHEET:	12
PRINTER:	Lowe-Martin Group (Canada)
PROCESS:	Offset lithography
PERFORATION:	13.3
DENOMINATIONS AND QUANTITIES:	

US\$ 0.46	564,000 stamps (47,000 sheets)
CHF 0.85	576,000 stamps (48,000 sheets)
€ 0.70	636,000 stamps (53,000 sheets)

SELLING UNITS:

The complete sheet of 12 different stamps will be considered as a single unit and is the only selling unit for this issue. Customers with standing order requirements for se-tenant of mini-sheet

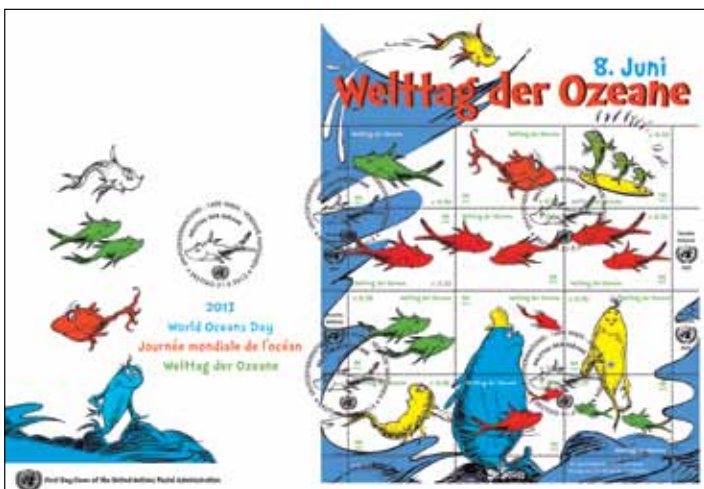
(Art. 09) and for mini-sheet (Art. 10) will automatically receive this issue through their accounts.

FIRST DAY COVERS**JUMBO**

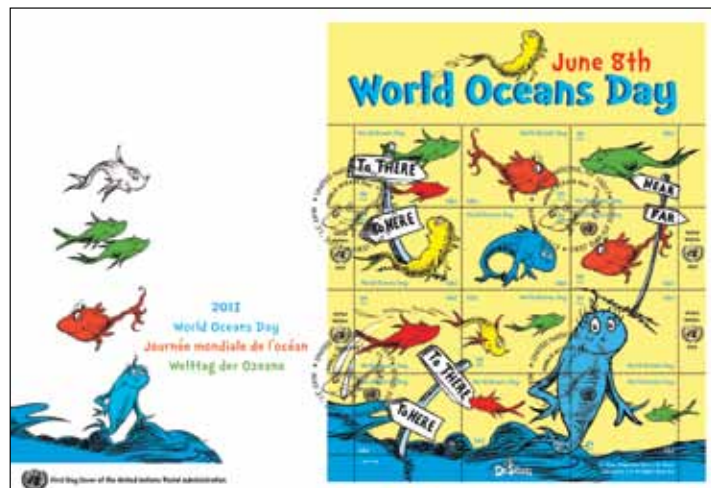
three large sized envelopes, each one with the mini-sheet of each denomination



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Code: 616.3956



Code: 816.3957

FIRST DAY CANCELLATION

On 31 May 2013, first day cancellations for the “World Ocean Day” stamps will be available at United Nations Headquarters in New York, the Palais des Nations, Geneva, and the Vienna International Centre as follows:



Vienna



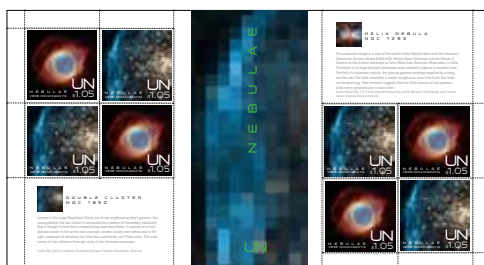
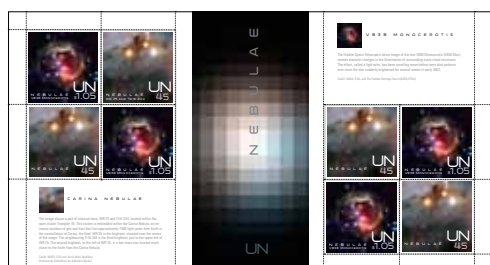
New York



Geneva

NEXT UNITED NATIONS STAMP ISSUE

On 9 August 2013, UNPA will issue three mini-sheets in the denominations of US\$ 1.10, CHF 1.40 and € 1.70 on the theme “Space”. Three souvenir sheets will also be released on the same day.



Preliminary designs

UNPA-NEW YORK

11 - 14 APRIL 2013**ASDA SPRING NATIONAL POSTAGE STAMP SHOW**

The New Yorker Hotel
481 Eighth Avenue
New York, New York, USA

31 MAY - 2 JUNE 2013**NAPEX 2013**

McLean Hilton at Tyson's Corner
7920 Jones Branch Drive
McLean, Virginia, USA

As the first day of issue of the indicated stamp shows coincides with a UNPA first day of issue, special show cachets will be available. To obtain the show cachets, send self-addressed envelopes to the address below, affixed with UN-New York stamps only (UN-Geneva and UN-Vienna stamps are not acceptable). The envelopes will be imprinted with the requested show cachet and returned through normal mail channels. Requests for the show cachets should be postmarked **no later than 11 April and 31 May respectively.**

UN SHOW CACHET

ASDA Spring National Postage Stamp Show
c/o Malli Hui
United Nations Postal Administration
P.O. Box 5900, Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163-5900
USA

UN SHOW CACHET

NAPEX
c/o Malli Hui
United Nations Postal Administration
P.O. Box 5900, Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163-5900
USA

UNPA-EUROPE

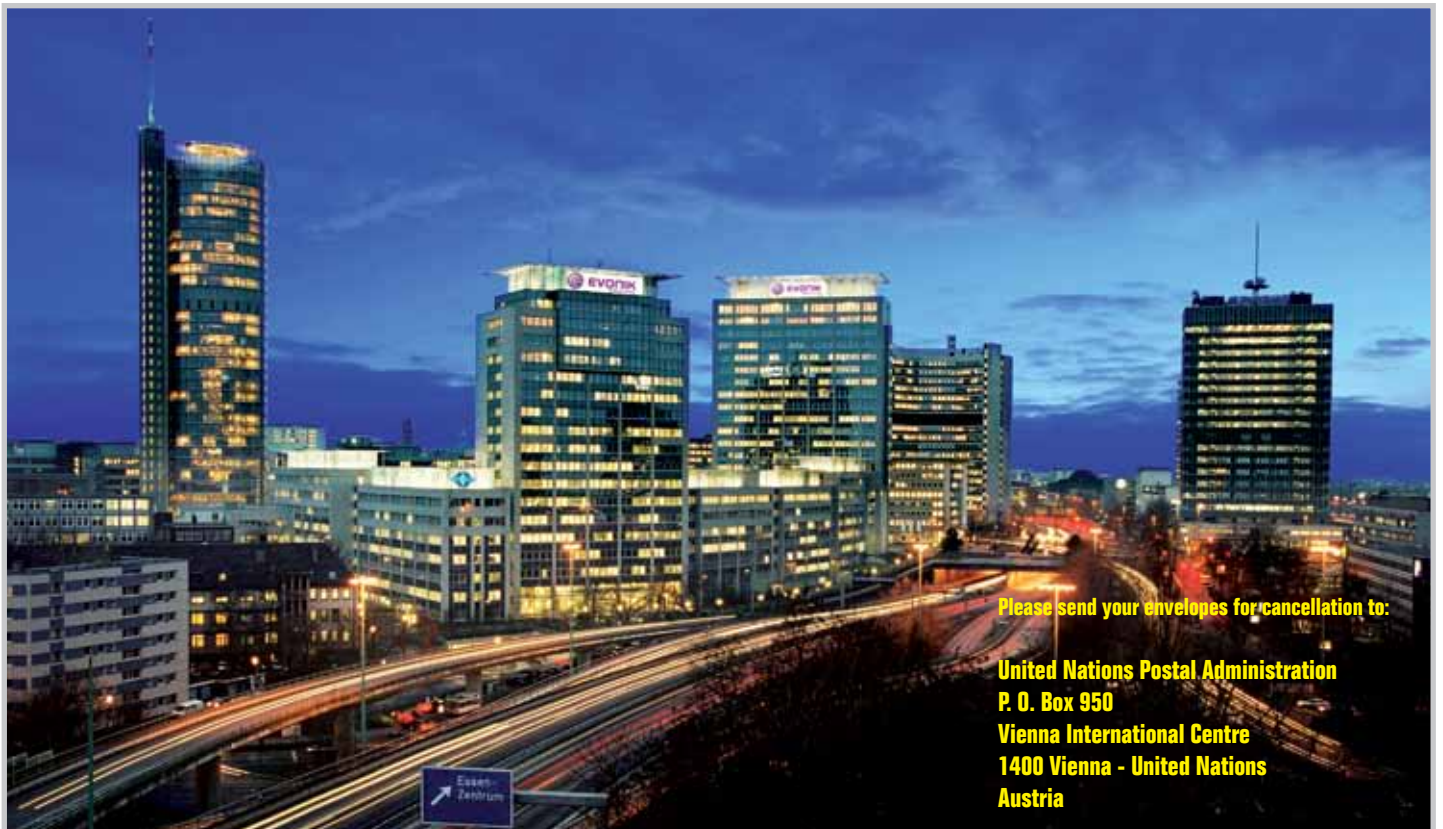
UNPA IN ESSEN, GERMANY

From **2 - 4 May 2013**, the **23rd International Essen Stamp Fair** will be held at the Trade Fair Ground Essen, Germany (Messe Gelände Essen, Messehaus Süd, Halle 1A). Opening hours are Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The entrance is free!

On the occasion of UNPA's participation at the 23rd Stamp Fair in Essen, the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a *white card* as well as a souvenir cachet. Both designs were created by the Austrian artist Maria Schulz and show the "Glockenspiel" in the city center of Essen.



Please note that cashless payment is now being offered at the UNPA sales stand during exhibitions and special post offices. All major credit cards and EC cards will be accepted.



Please send your envelopes for cancellation to:

**United Nations Postal Administration
P. O. Box 950
Vienna International Centre
1400 Vienna - United Nations
Austria**

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WORLD OCEANS DAY

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World Heritage China

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FLAG SERIES

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